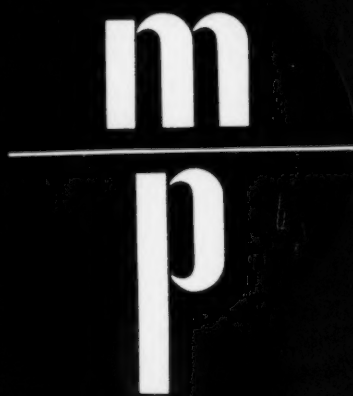
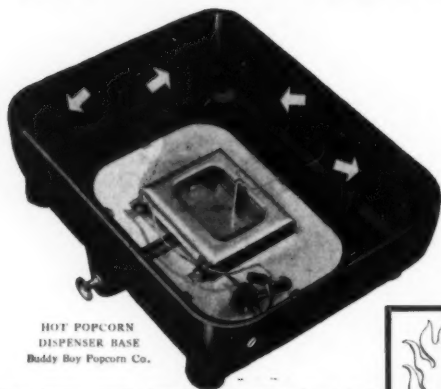


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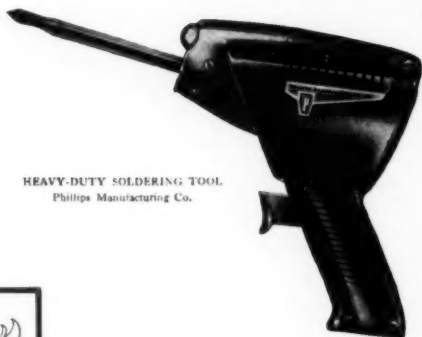


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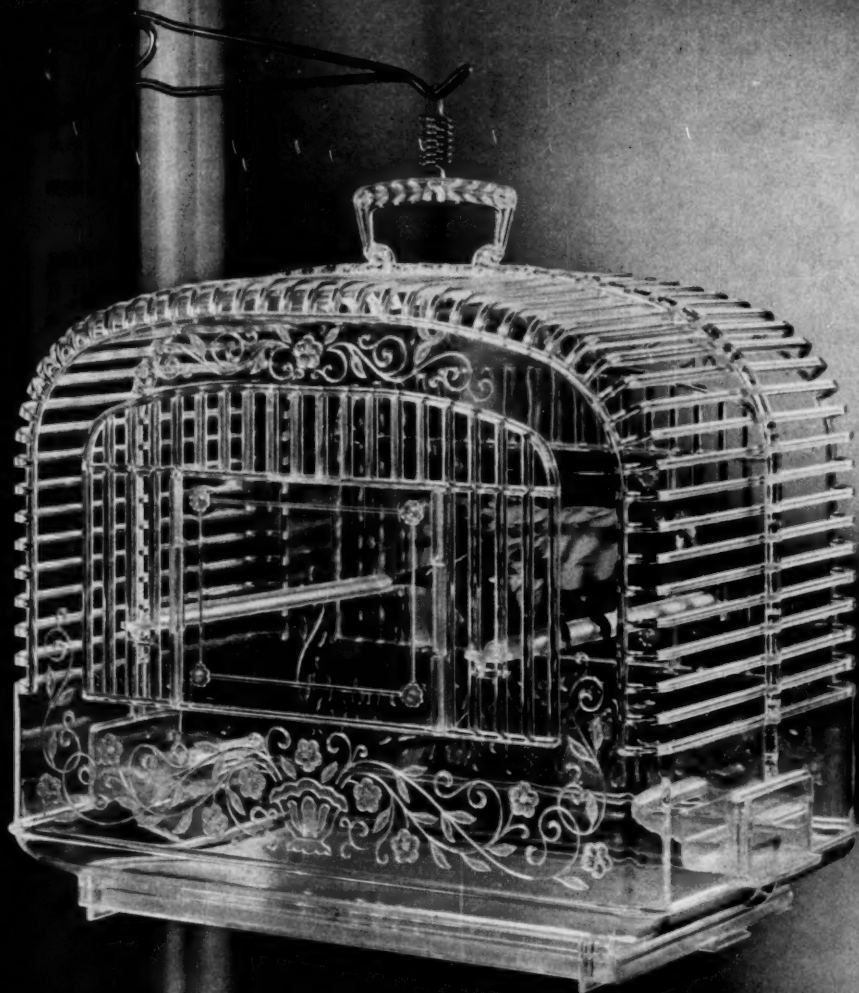
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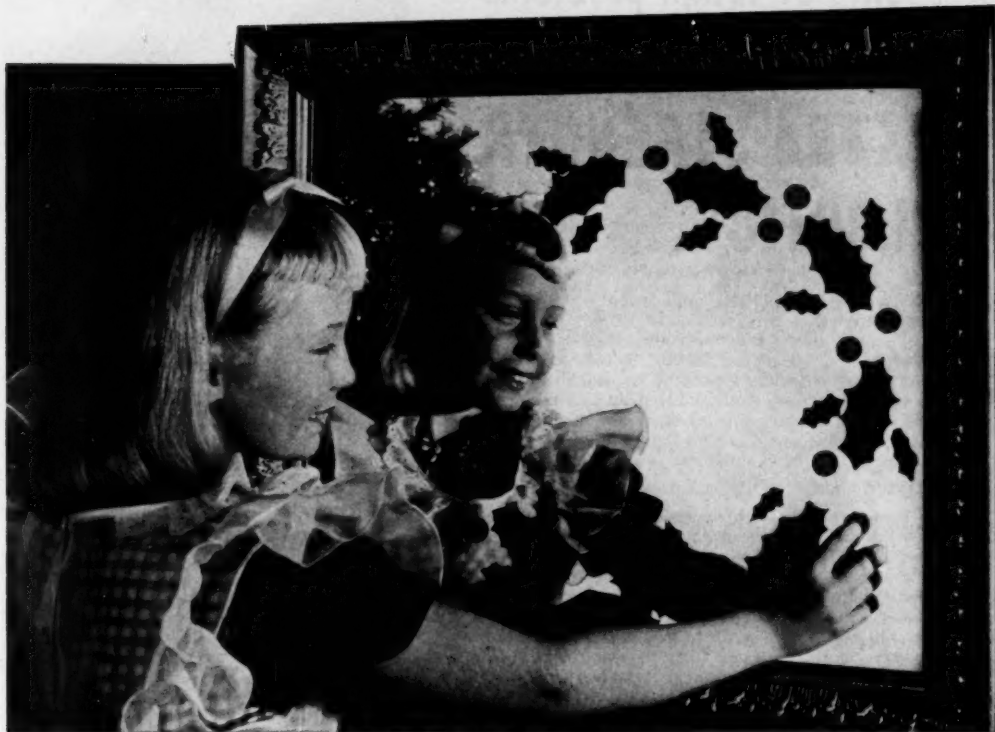
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These figures speak well for the present condition of the industry and for its outlook. The announced expansion plans of the plastics materials manufacturers, the recorded expansion of facilities of molders, extruders, calenderers, laminators, fabricators, and other processors, and the sales development programs of all parts of the industry form the background of this remarkable piece of exhibition space selling.

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In the two years since the last plastics show, so many developments have taken place in materials, equipment, methods, and markets that the fifth show may well be largely devoted to these new factors.

The balance of emphasis between military applications and civilian uses will be interesting to observe, because the pattern of this balance is, to date, anything but clear. Since plastics are today of much more strategic importance than at any time during World War II, the military significance of this show should be considerable. But many of the military applications will necessarily be classified and therefore not available for display, while in many cases new military applications may not have been stabilized in design to the point where quantity procurement is in order. It is hoped that a change in this picture will take place within the next three months so

that the 1952 Plastics Exposition may truly present a complete picture of the part plastics are playing in the present defense program.

It is also important that the significance of the developments over the past two years in civilian uses of plastics be registered in no uncertain fashion.

But quite as important as either of the above factors is the careful presentation of possibilities and probabilities of plastics in future applications.

The pace of expansion of raw material production at present will obviously give this industry fabulous new quantities of plastics within the next two years. With due consideration for the amounts that will be needed in defense, and unless we become involved in a full-scale war, this industry will face a terrific challenge in finding new markets for plastics and in expanding present markets.

We believe that the Fifth National Plastics Exposition will be the perfect place and time for this industry to express its most pragmatic product dreams to industry, to the distributive trades, to the military, and to the consumers. We believe that this timing will be enhanced by the fact that metals and certain other materials will be in very restricted supply by March of next year. We believe that endorsement by the Armed Forces of new plastics applications, after severe testing, will help to effect consumer approval. We believe that the whole public relations interpretation of industry emphasis on expanded application possibilities reflects the aggressive policies that have always been characteristic of this industry.

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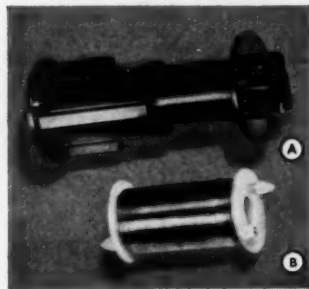
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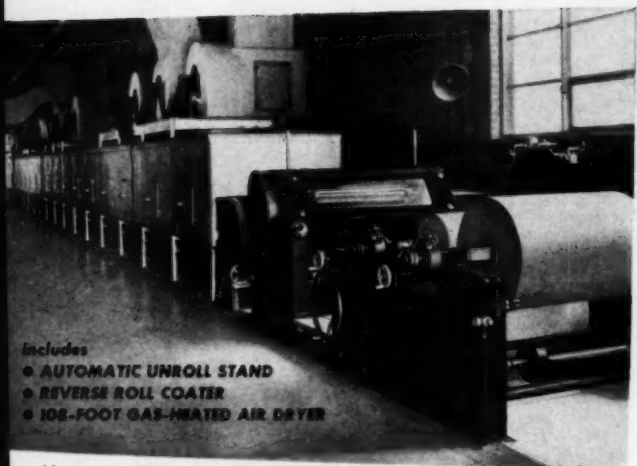
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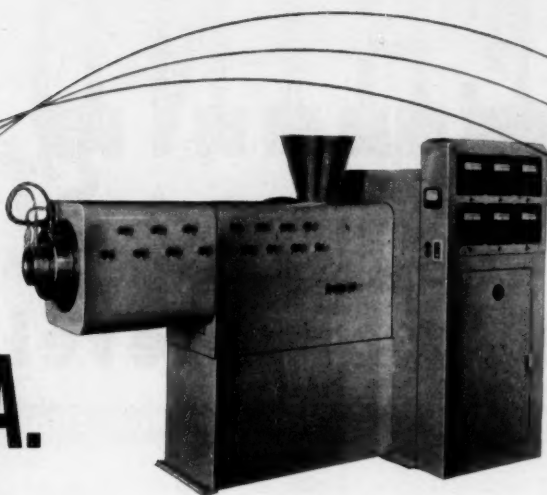


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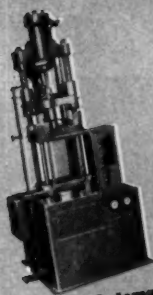
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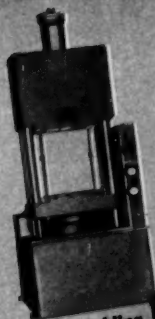
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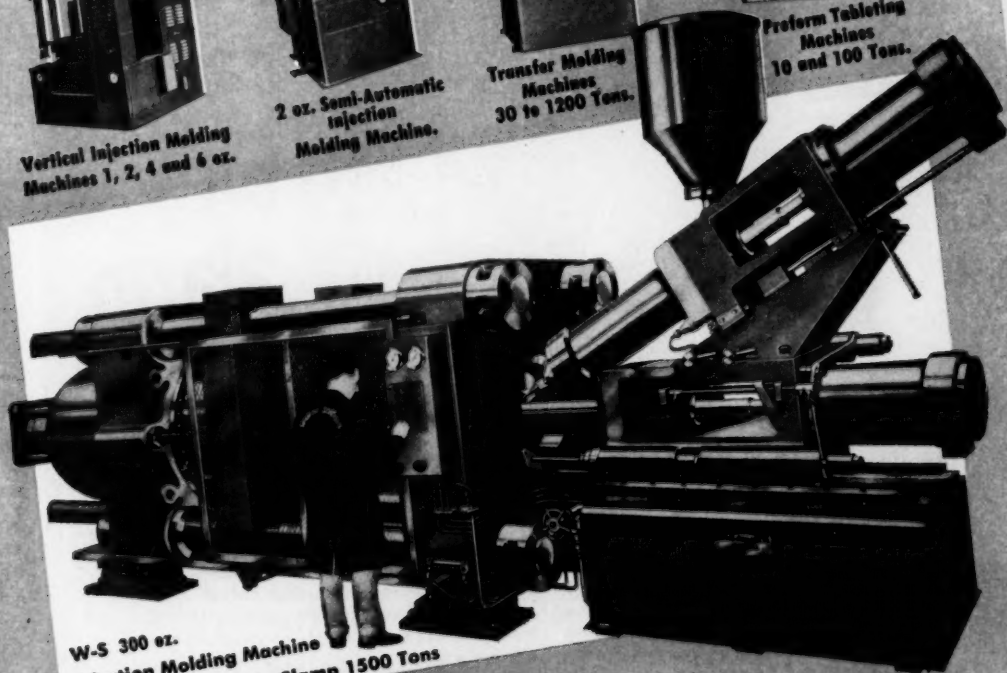
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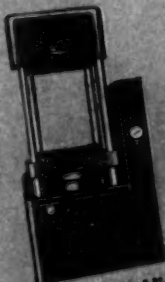
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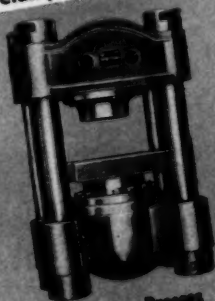
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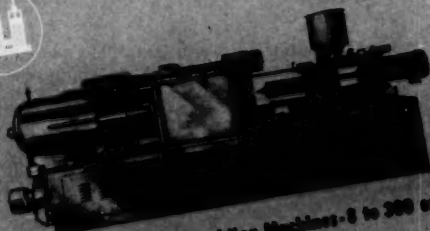
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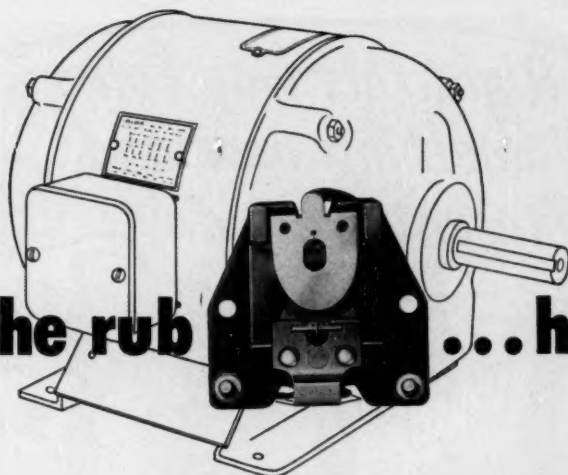
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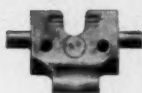
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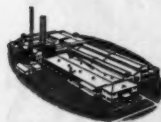
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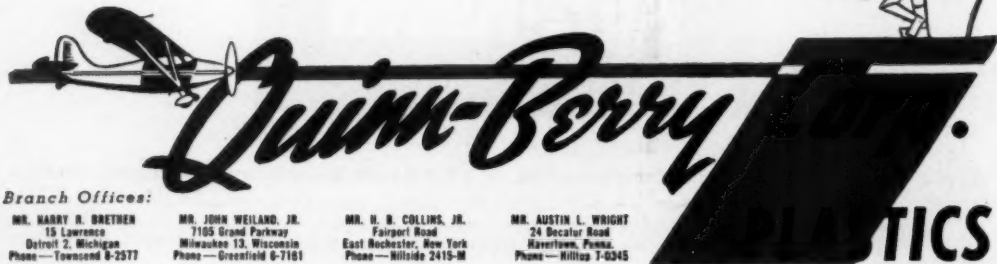


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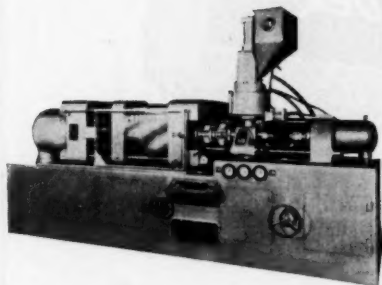


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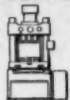
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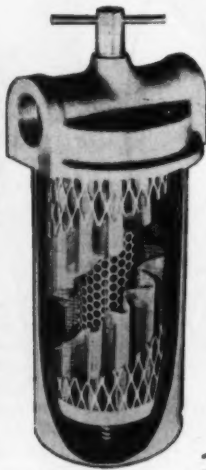
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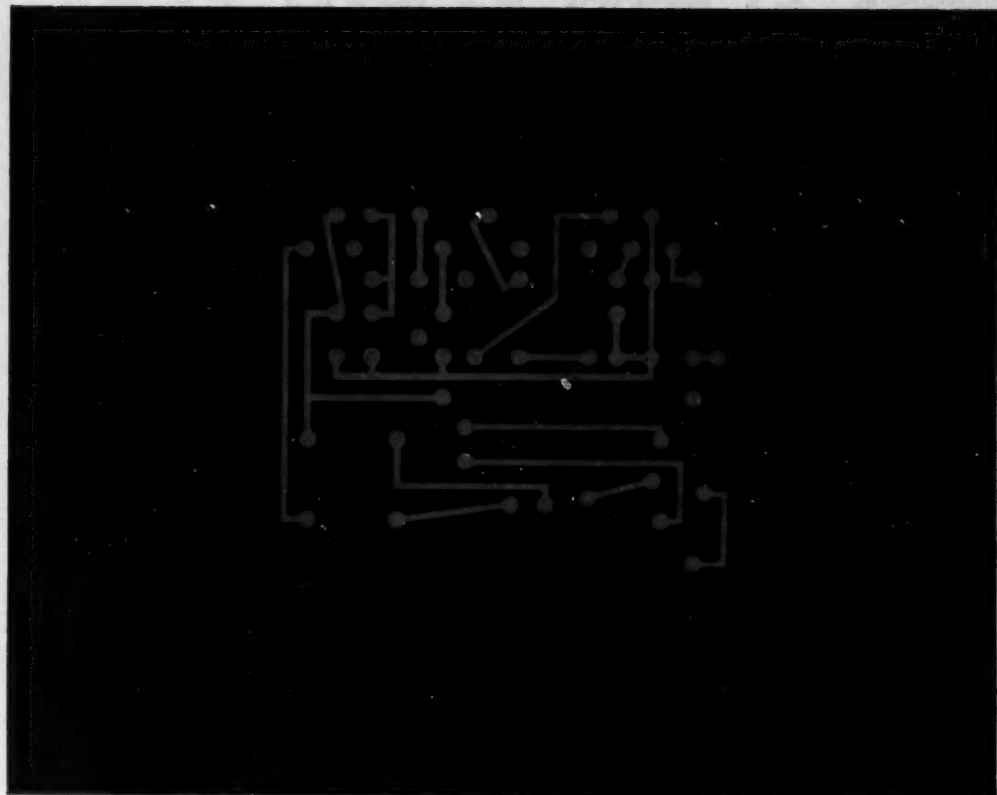


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A printed circuit is a working drawing—*working*. A typical one is made by simple photoengraving of a diagram on a light-sensitized, copper-clad, laminated plastic sheet. When the unwanted copper has been etched away, the remaining copper becomes the permanent electrical conductor, in any desired circuit configuration.

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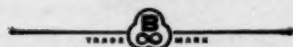
A major benefit of printed circuits is the "miniaturization" of equipment. Sub-miniature assemblies formerly raised extremely vexing problems of production, performance, and repair. Now printed circuits, completed by advanced techniques such as the "one shot" soldering of all connections, reduce costs to a level where replacement is cheaper than repair.

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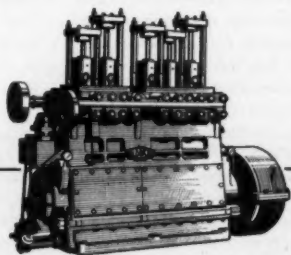
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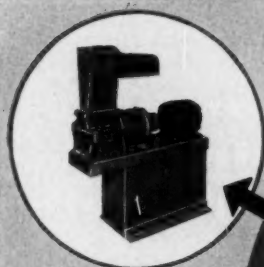
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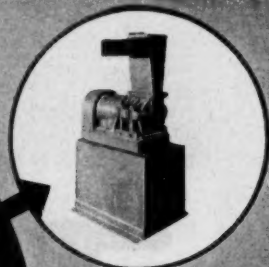
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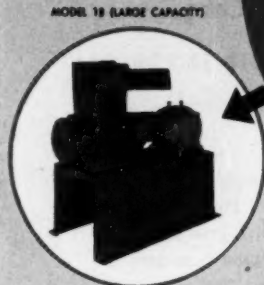




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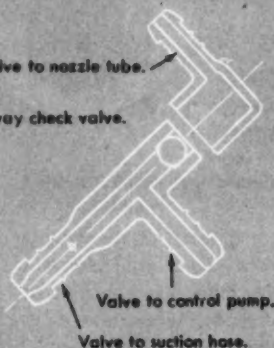
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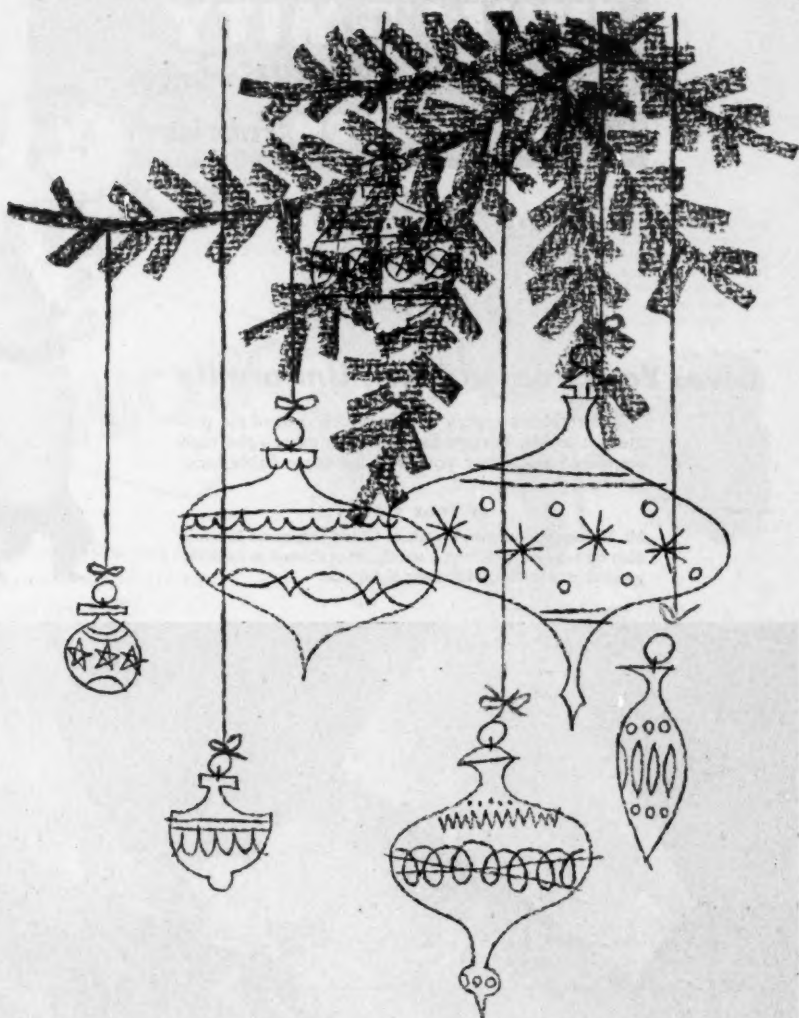
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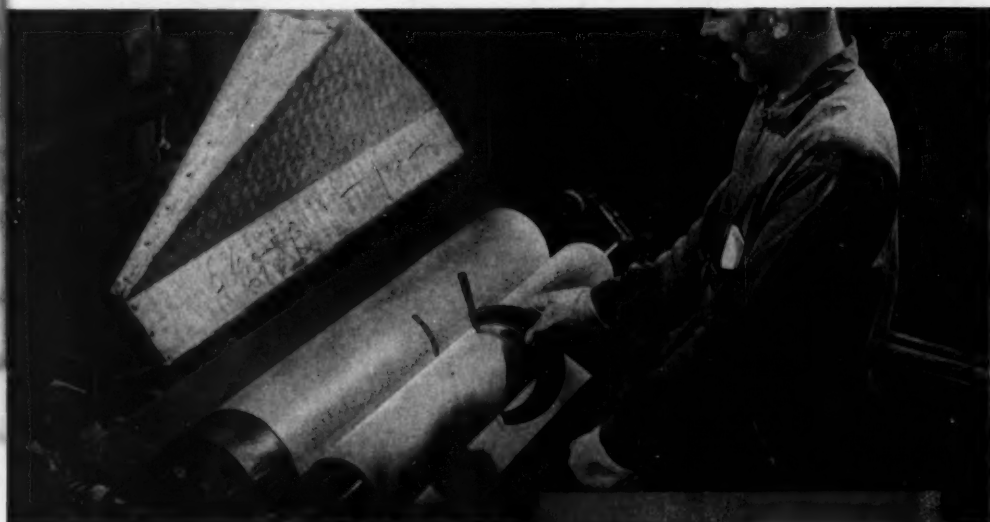


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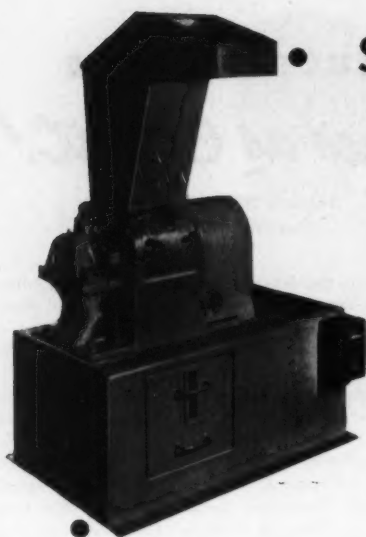
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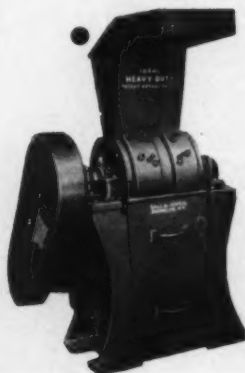
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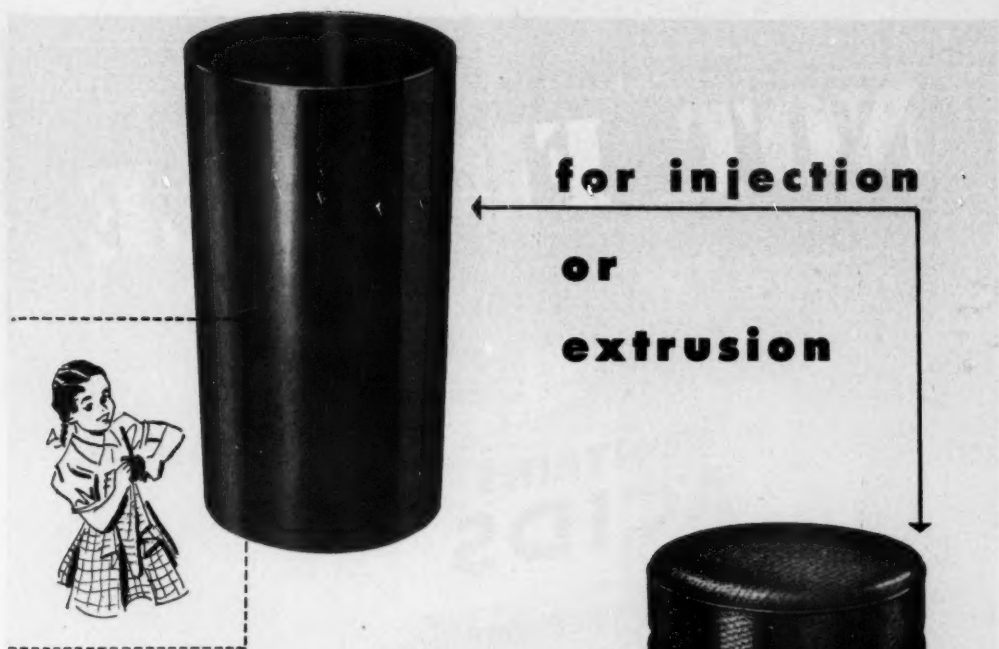
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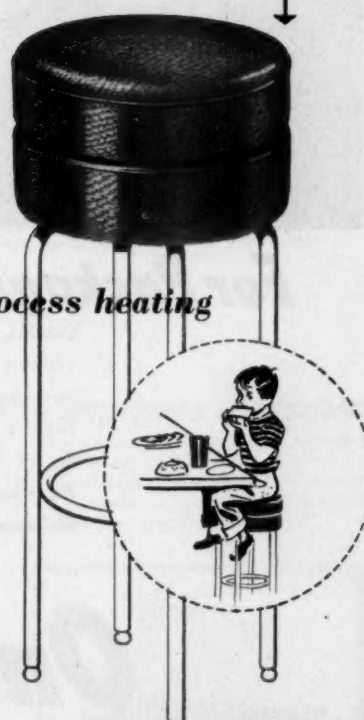
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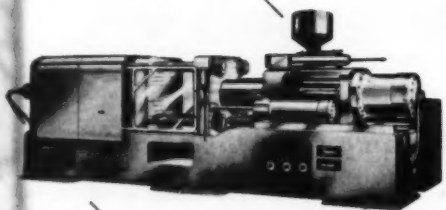
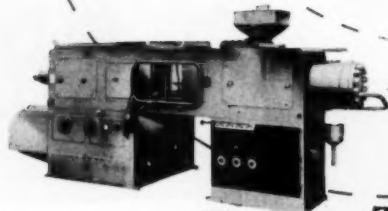
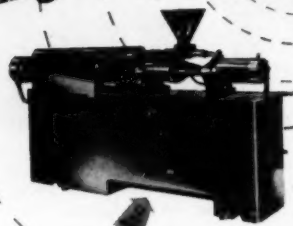
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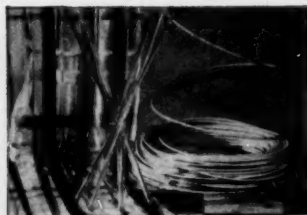
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Odor:

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Specific gravity:

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Viscosity:

144 \pm 20 SUS @ 37.8° C. (100° F.)
39 \pm 1 SUS @ 98.9° C. (210° F.)

Pour Point:

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Distillation range (corrected):

Start 340-349° C. (645-660° F.)
10% 345-358° C. (653-676° F.)
50% 353-360° C. (667-680° F.)
90% 362-389° C. (684-732° F.)
95% 371-396° C. (700-745° F.)

Flash Point:

174°C \pm 6 (345°F. \pm 10) A.S.T.M.D92-24

Flame point:

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Vapor pressure:

Temperature °C.	mm. Hg
150	2
200	15
250	69
300	230
350	625
362	760

Evaporation loss at 100° C. for 6 hours:
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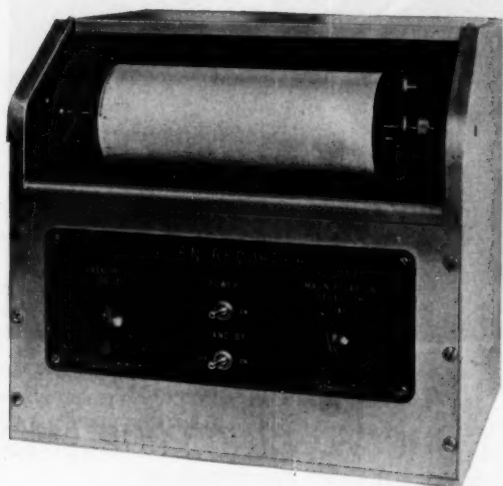
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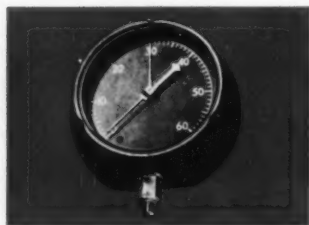
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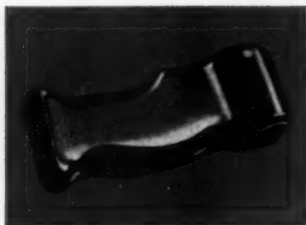
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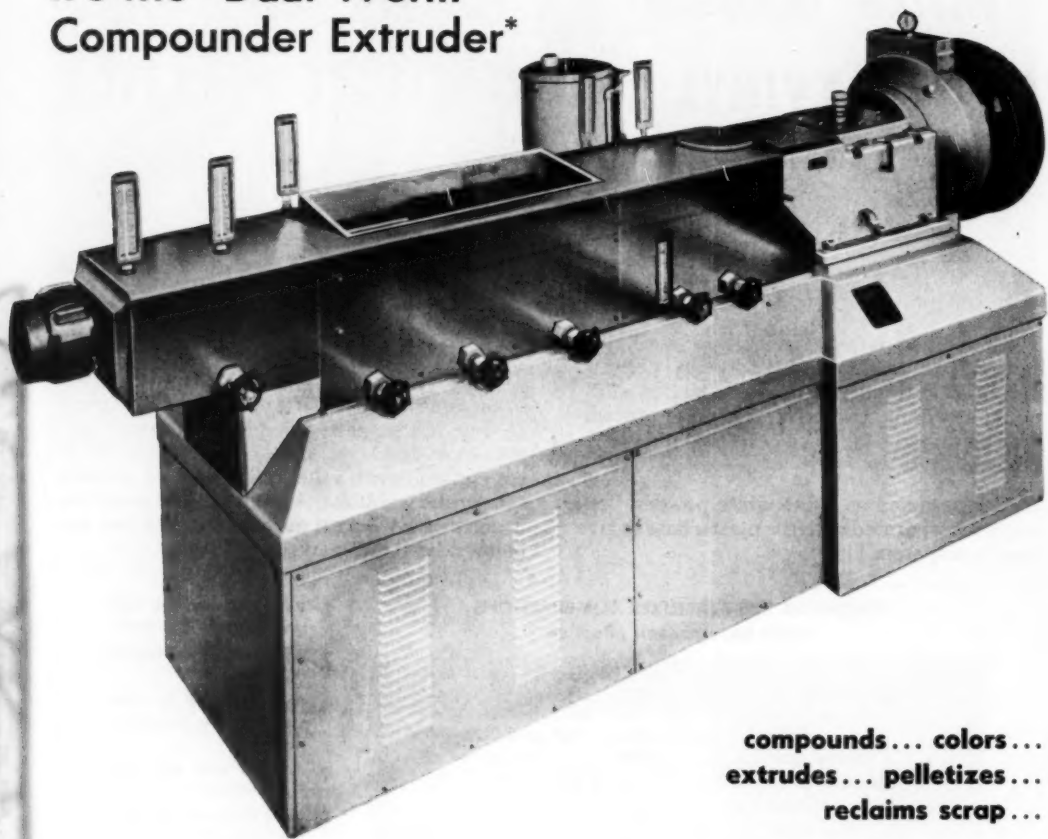
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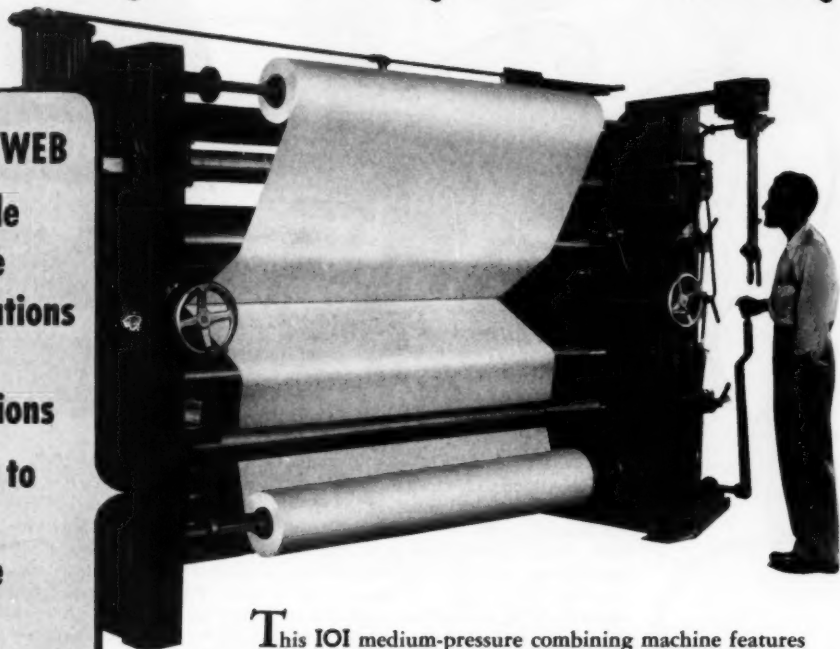
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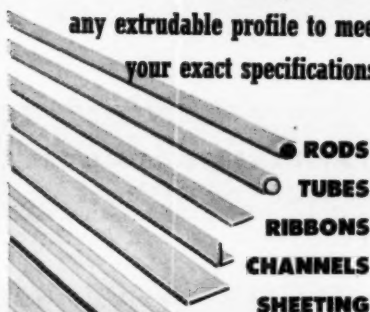
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in injection chamber
diameter of plunger
diameter of screw
speed of screw
stroke of clamp cylinder
speed of closing

12,000 p.s.i.
3 1/4" diameter
4 1/2" diameter
25 to 200 r.p.m.
27" min. 36" max.
350" per min. slowed
down to 60" per min.
for clamping

speed of opening
max. overall height
max. daylight opening
min. daylight opening
distance between tie rods
floor space required
approximate weight

450" per min. slowed
down for knock-out
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36" to 64"
9" to 38"
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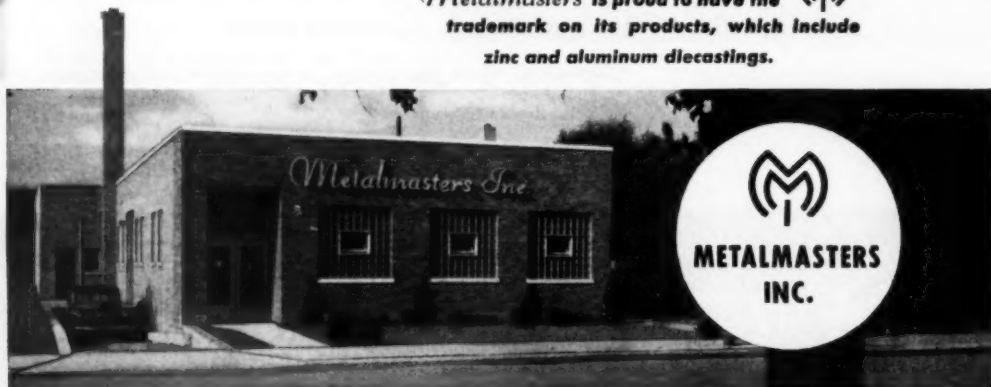
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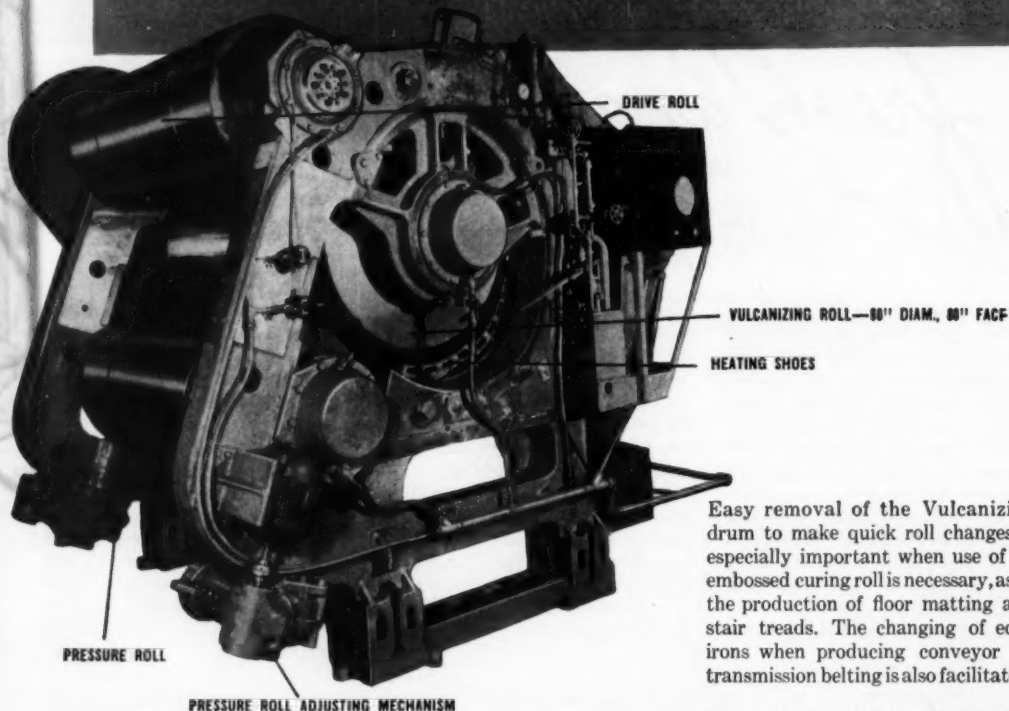
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VULCANIZATION

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- All rolls are supported in self-aligning roller bearings, oil flood lubricated.
- Speed range is adjustable from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6.2 feet per minute.
- Vulcanizing roll is 60" diameter; 80" face.
- Tension roll is hydraulically actuated; maximum belt tension, 240,000 pounds.

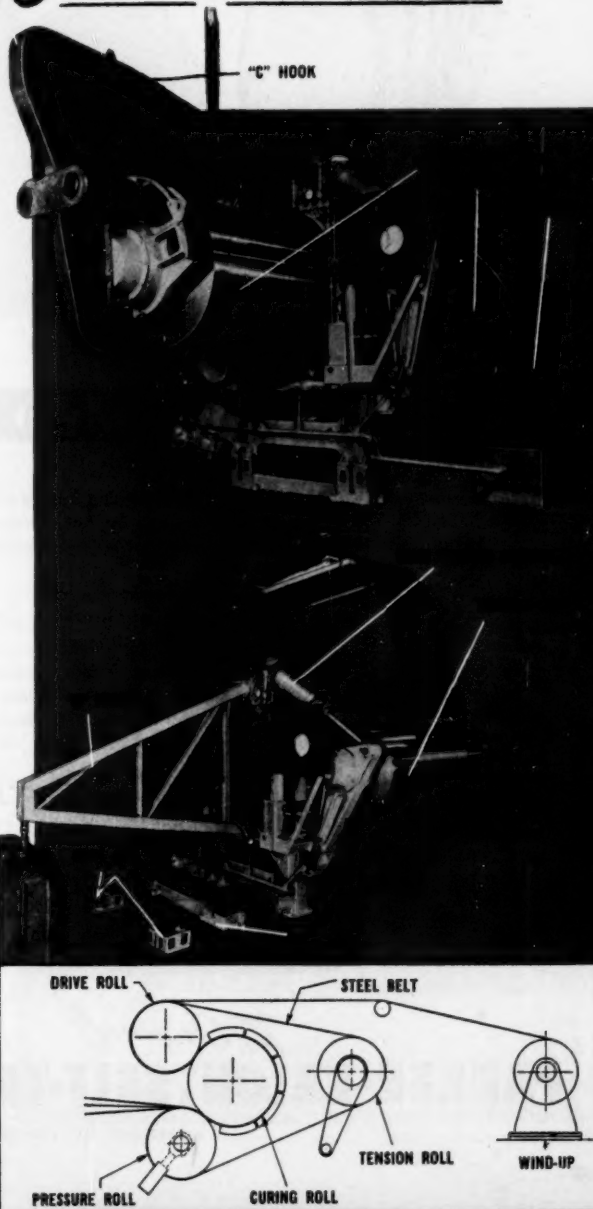
Easy replacement of the steel band is made possible by the ingenious arrangement illustrated. After the curing roll has been removed, the specially provided "A-Frame" is bolted in place and jacked up far enough to remove the weight from the base rail on the near side. The two "foot blocks" are then taken out, permitting the belt to be removed through the resulting opening.

Operation of the Rotocure is shown schematically at right. The Rotocure has many advantages over the conventional press on large production runs. For example:

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- Elimination of overcuring and undercuring of the over-lap areas occurring on conventional presses.
- Greater uniformity of stretch.

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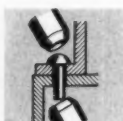
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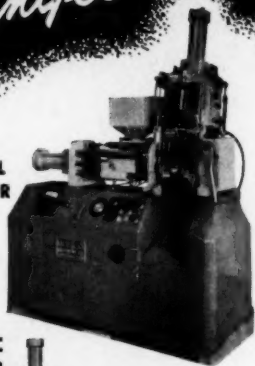


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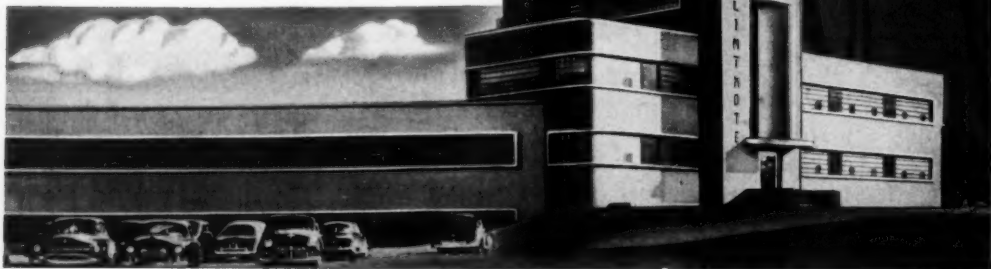
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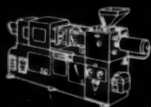
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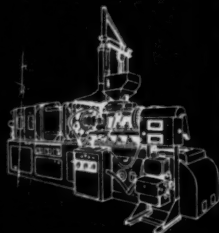
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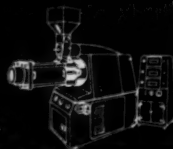
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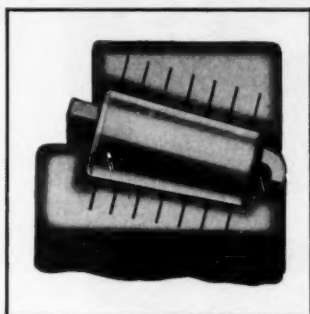
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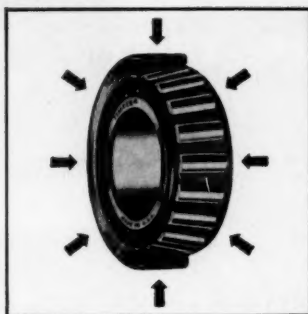
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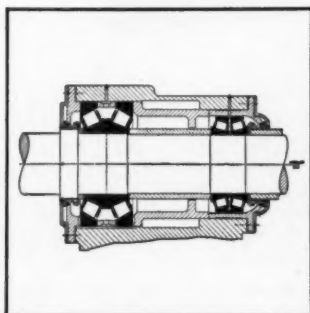
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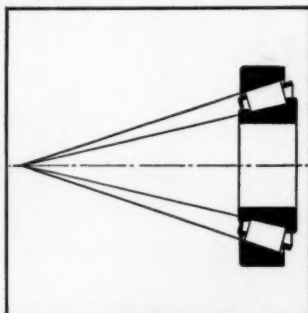
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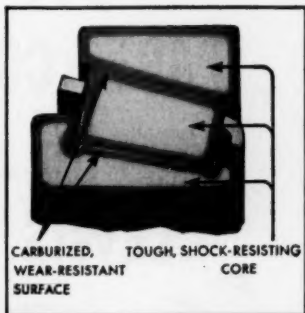
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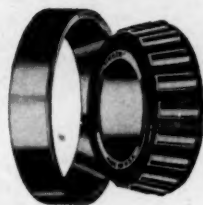
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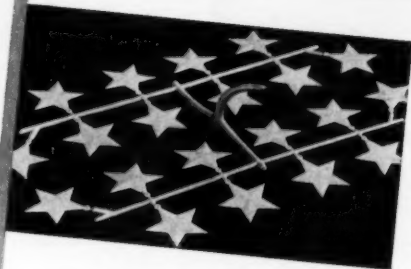
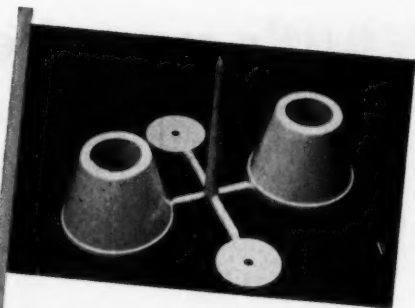


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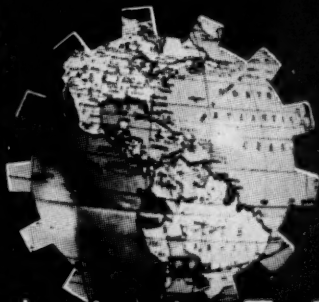
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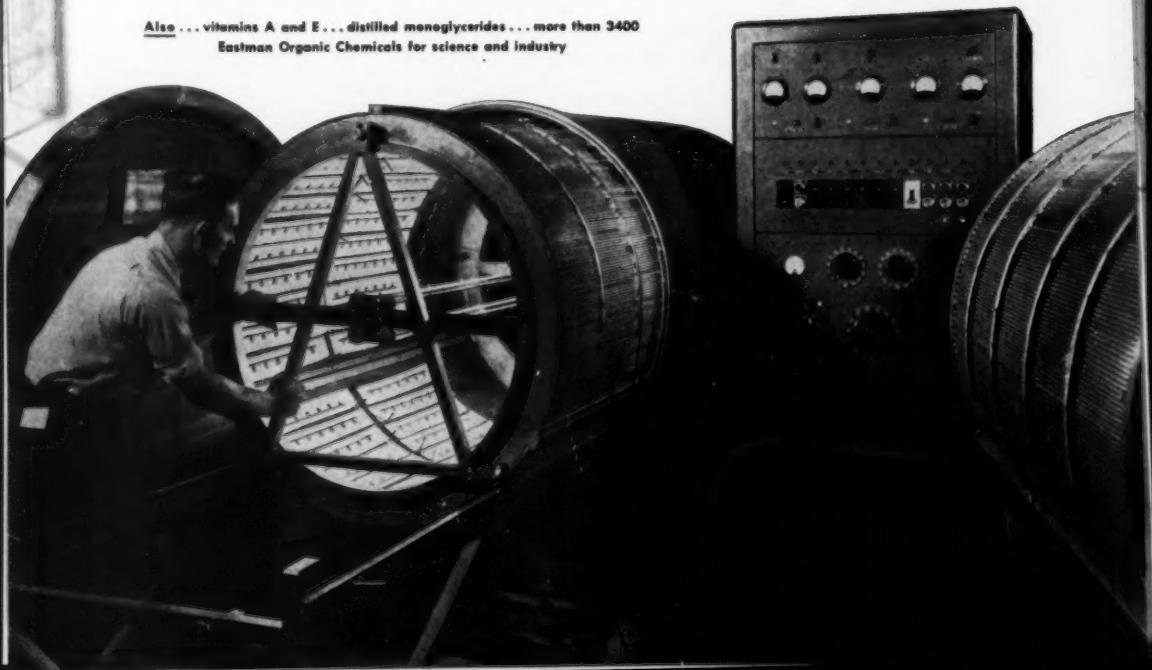
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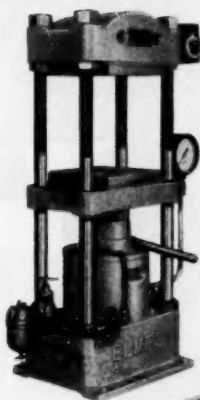
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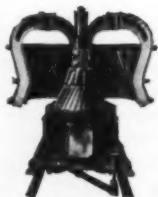
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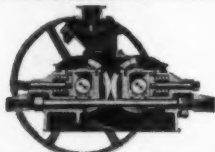
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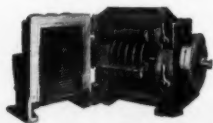
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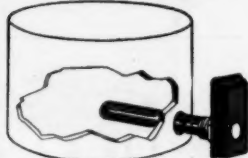
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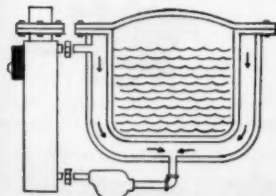
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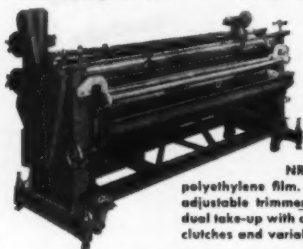
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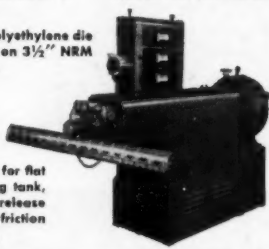
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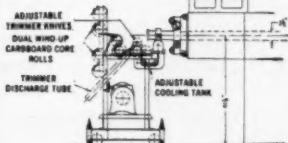


T-type polyethylene die mounted on 3 1/2" NRM extruder.

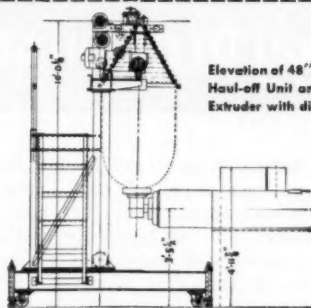
NRM 72" Haul-off for flat polyethylene film. Includes cooling tank, adjustable trimmer knives, quick release dual take-up with constant tension friction clutches and variable speed drive.



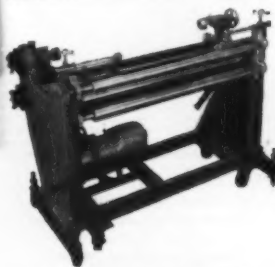
Elevation of 72" Haul-off and 3 1/2" Extruder with die.



NRM 48" vertical Haul-off for thin-wall expanded P.V.C. and polyethylene tubing. Has variable speed drive, including flattening roll arrangement, adjustable trimmer knives and dual take-up.



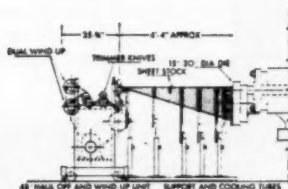
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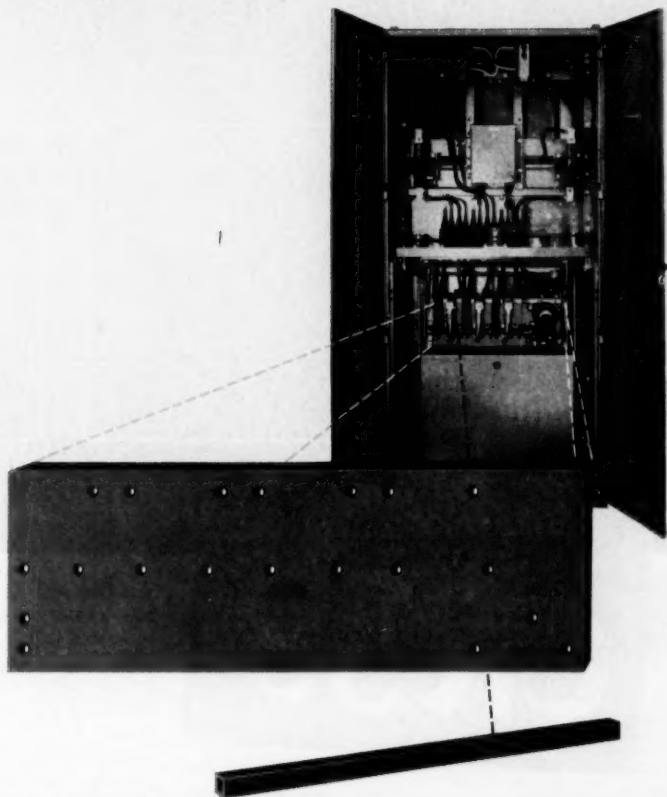
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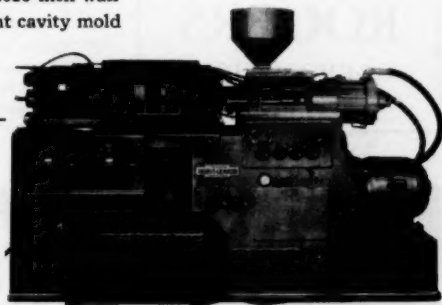
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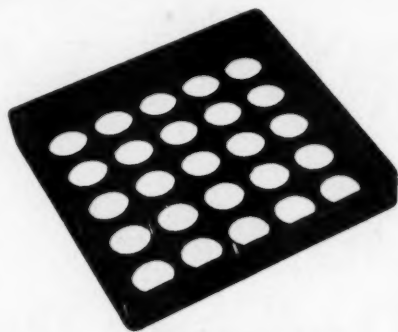
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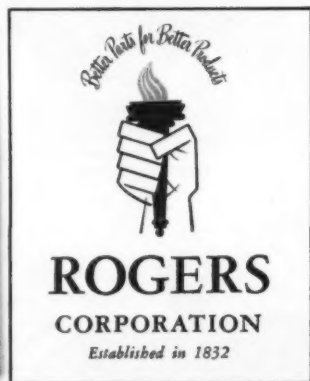
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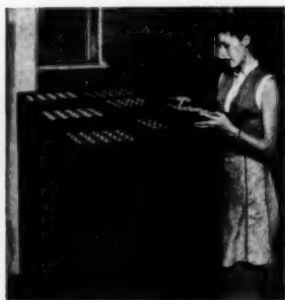
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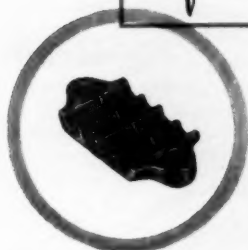
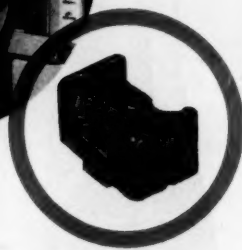


Start of hot-water detergent bath. Toughness of Rogers RX 429 is attested by the fact that trays go unscathed through repeated washing operation.



Note how compactness and strength of trays reduces storage space required for parts. Bottom trays each support 1122 pounds.

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The Quick Look

The sales outlook in plastics for the immediate future is somewhat remindful of the player in stud poker who is drawing his last card in an attempt to fill an inside straight against a hand which shows three exposed kings. "He's hopeful, but he isn't too sure." With their usual optimism, which is part of their trade, most plastics raw materials sales managers insist business has already picked up and will increase from its temporary slump with possibly a seasonal decline of no more than usual size in December. Molders and other processors, when questioned on the state of their operations, will frequently give the interviewer a sly wink and say: "My business is fine—but, oh, boy, some of my competitors are sure in a bad fix!" All of which adds up to one terse statement: business is spotty. But by and large, the sales situation clear across the board, insofar as plastics are concerned, looks more optimistic at the time of writing than it did a month ago.

Increased Retail Sales Help Plastics

Polystyrene and vinyl film or sheet vendors are particularly interested in the recent pick-up in retail sales, especially since it is evident that the long dormant household goods and furnishings have taken on new life. New York City retailers were agreeably startled by a report on election day that sales had increased 15% over a year ago; there have been continuous reports of other percentage increases from all over the country. Further indications that the retail increase is really substantial are found in the following figures: all business inventories went down by \$250 million in September—manufacturers increased their inventories by \$350 million but retail stocks declined by \$600 million, of which \$250 million was non-durable goods. Retailers are taking their time about building up another big inventory, so September and October inventory depletions may not be

immediately replaced, but at least that big inventory which was a bugaboo to further purchasing from the producer is being liquidated.

Polystyrene Sales at High Level

A lot of the talk about poor business is hardly justified when measured by any performance except the immediate past. Take polystyrene as an example. August production of 26,500,000 lb. was the largest on record, and sales of 24,100,000 lb. were close to the 25,400,000 lb. record set in October 1950. With the exception of January and February (when sales were from 17 to 18 million lb.), every month of 1951 up to August showed sales of 20 million lb. or more. The complaint is that sales are not as high as the unprecedented levels of from 22 to 25.5 million lb. per month in the last six months of 1950. Yet if current reports are to be believed, resin sales in the last four months of 1951 will average at least 22 million lb. a month and most of it will be molded. If molders sell 22 million lb. of processed polystyrene per month in the last four months of this year, the last half of the year will be the second or third best such period which molders have ever had, from a volume viewpoint. It may be that some molders are doing a lot more business than others; also, some have increased their capacity to such a point that 100% capacity operation last year is only 50% capacity this year. But the over-all sales picture is hardly to be classified as "poor." As one molder said at the recent WPB Chemical Division Alumni Meeting in Washington: "It ain't bad, Bud—it ain't bad!"

Vinyl Chloride Slumps but Still at High Volume

The vinyl chloride situation is somewhat similar with the comparative percentage of decline in the last six months somewhat sharper. The last six months of 1950 and the first six of 1951 were whopper periods—the best ever recorded. Sales for vinyl film and

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sheet started to decline in the late spring of 1951. Phonograph records also felt a market decline. Extruded welting for the automotive industry began to decline in mid-year when auto production was forced down because of metal shortages. But wire coating and other extrusion operations started a steady rise in July or August 1950 and continued to climb until mid-summer 1951, thus helping to keep total vinyl production figures a bit higher than in other years.

In July, a month when vinyl sales are nearly always at their lowest point of the year, the usual decline from the preceding months was evident in 1951, but the outstanding fact is that July was probably a higher month for vinyl chloride resin sales than any of the following months of the year. Despite this last half-year decline, vinyl resin sales for the entire year 1951 will be above 1950 in every category including film, sheeting, wire coating, etc. Buyers of resin bought heavily in the early part of the year because they wanted to maintain their historical purchasing position and to put resin in inventory in anticipation of a fall increase in civilian and military buying—an increase which has been slow in developing.

Sales of finished goods aren't disastrous either—they just happen to be lower than in the peak periods of late 1950 and early 1951. In addition, nearly all processors have increased their capacity by adding new equipment or running their old equipment more efficiently. As a result, they develop a gloomy look when they don't have enough business to warrant running calendars, spreaders, or extruders around the clock seven days a week. Resin producers today are exhibiting their confidence in the near future by running on a large scale. Thus they will fill their pipelines which have been depleted ever since early 1950 and have plenty of resin in inventory for a market pick-up which they expect in February or March, if not sooner.

Phenolics in Good Position to Move Ahead

The phenolic molding powder situation follows about the same pattern. From August 1950 through June 1951 the industry was selling from 17 to 21 million lb. a month and could have sold more if it had been available. This was the greatest eleven-month sales period in the industry's history. July and August 1951 dropped to a little under 16 million pounds. It is estimated that the last four months will run close to 17 million lb. a month. Some producers may be better off than others in corraling their share of the business, but the molders who are using all that resin must be doing fairly well; any time the industry uses 16 or 17 million lb. a month, business is pretty good. It was not so long ago when the compression industry was using only 6 to 12 million lb. of phenolics a month. Some analysts are still surprised to see that the industry has survived the severe cutbacks in autos,

refrigerators, television sets, and other durable goods with so little loss of volume, especially in view of the slowness with which military orders have developed.

Inflated orders with which customers inundated their resin suppliers early in the year have been wiped off the books and a customer can generally get what phenolic he needs for military use without even a DO order.

Polyethylene

Polyethylene allocations for November were notable in that only 33% was military DO. That's 10% less than in September. The cause is more production and a temporary decline in military demand. The amount allowed for essential civilian uses was 43%—up slightly from October. "Free" distribution was 24%, about the same as the month before.

But the clamor for more polyethylene goes on—from packaging people in particular. They want it for an ever-widening field including fresh produce, meat, carrots, and the like. A new request comes in for marshmallows—when wrapped in polyethylene they keep fresh much longer than in other wrappers. The unbreakable bottle business, too, has been hard hit by allocation since almost none has been allowed under government order.

The wire coaters, like the packaging people, claim they don't get nearly enough polyethylene even though they are allocated large quantities for essentials such as certain types of line wire; service drop cable; street light wiring; wire for police and fire systems; railroad control cables; and long distance toll cable. Each wire coater is allocated polyethylene for these purposes according to his historic purchasing record. Yet allocation does not provide nearly enough for applications other than essential items, so the wire coaters get more from the "free" pool. But even with the amount of material which they can get from this latter source, the wire coaters still do not have sufficient polyethylene to meet their wants for such things as television lead-in wires, neon sign wiring, etc.

Polyvinyl Alcohol

The situation in polyvinyl alcohol has cleared up considerably since the extreme tightness last spring, when distribution was controlled almost entirely by government directive. The answer is in more production, which will continue to increase in small amounts, as well as the use of substitutes. A soy bean product has also been announced as a satisfactory extender for polyvinyl alcohol.

Early in the year, the government limited the amount of polyvinyl alcohol that could be channeled into military uses to 25,000 lb. a month. This was done

to prevent disruption in the production of certain types of paper milk bottles, bandages, and a few other applications that had come to depend on PVA. The situation became so critical at one time that the limitation was lowered to 10,000 lb., but it's now back to 25,000 and the producer has made it more freely available to his customers by eliminating his company-established allocation.

The chief military use, of course, has been in waterproofed V-boxes. Chief civilian applications are primarily as an adhesive for milk containers, paper cups, drinking straws, multiwall bags, carton sealing, case lining, furniture joints, bookbinding, spiral and convolute wound tubes, folding boxes, foil laminating, and specialty papers. It is also used in textile sizing (especially for nylon hose); as a bonding agent for unwoven fabric; for molding gears; in extruded coatings for wire used in motors; in film and sponges; and as an emulsifying agent for pharmaceuticals.

PVA is a versatile material with many uses under development and more to come. In England its uses have been even more widely heralded than in the U.S. In 1949, U.S. production was around 4 million lb. but more than that is now available. 'Tis a material well worth watching.

Phenolic Resin for Softwood Plywood

Recent reports that the softwood plywood industry was on the decline from a volume standpoint are vigorously denied by authorities who are in close touch with industry statistics. Certainly the amount of phenolic resin being consumed by the exterior plywood division of the industry belies any indication of a drop in production. Supposedly the premature and adverse report on the industry's progress developed from gloomy representatives of recently established new plants that have added 25% additional production capacity to the softwood plywood industry this past year. Delay in placing military requirements plus a decline in housing construction has caused the market for interior type softwood plywood to soften up a bit and the newcomers in the industry have suffered most from these factors; the old-timers seem to be rolling merrily along.

Types of Plywood

For those not too familiar with plywood terminology the following facts will be helpful:

Softwood plywood is produced almost entirely from fir trees. It is divided into exterior and interior grades depending upon its ultimate end use. The exterior grade uses phenolic resin as the adhesive or bonding medium almost exclusively and accounts for somewhere near 30% of total softwood plywood production. The time is coming when part of the interior type

will also use phenolic, not only for performance but also so that it may be used either indoors or outdoors as desired. The adhesive is about 50% solids. Seventy lb. of adhesive, including water, filler, and caustic soda, will cover about 1000 sq. ft. of plywood on a 3-ply basis.

Interior grade softwood plywood currently uses little phenolic resin. It is most generally bonded with soy bean or blood derived adhesives.

Hardwood plywood comes from deciduous or broad-leaved trees. Whether it be walnut, willow, cottonwood, or any other type but coniferous, it is still called hardwood. Today, it is used primarily for furniture and interior work. Great quantities of urea glue are used for this material, but probably not more than 2 million lb. of phenolic glue will be used for hardwood plywood in 1951. The hardwood branch of the industry has declined severely in the last six months due largely to a drop-off in furniture manufacturing.

The 1941-1945 average production of softwood plywood was 1,494,000,000 square feet. In 1950, production was 2,500,000,000 square feet. In 1951 it will be near 3,000,000,000; current operating rate is about 3,200,000,000 square feet. About one-third of this production is processed with phenolic adhesives.

To those who are curious about the ever-increasing uses of phenolic resin, plywood offers at least a partial explanation. It's been less publicized than resins for waste wood and sand cores, but these latter two have not yet attained large volume production; on the other hand, phenolic adhesive for plywood is already big and getting bigger. The limit has by no means been reached. Furthermore, indications are that it will have a better record for maintaining volume in the last six months of 1951 than any other segment of the phenolic resin industry.

Here are some interesting figures to maintain that belief:

Phenolic resin adhesive sales in 1950	28,500,000 lb.
Sales in first 8 months of 1951	26,800,000 lb.
Estimated sales last 4 months of 1951	14,700,000 lb.
Total estimated sales for 1951	41,500,000 lb.
Total estimated production	45,000,000 lb.

In this industry the production figure is just about as good a total use figure as sales volume since so many companies make and use their own resin. The big percentage increase is particularly significant in this year of 1951 because most other categories of phenolic resin will show a decline in sales volume during the last six months in comparison to the first six months so that they will be hard pressed to show as large a sales volume in 1951 as they had in 1950. And for those

who are interested in the amount of phenol consumed, it is pertinent to point out that phenolic adhesives consume about 0.9 lb. of phenol per lb. of finished resin while molding compound consumes only 0.41 lb. of phenol per lb. of finished compound. Formaldehyde is consumed in these resins at about the same rate as phenol.

There is as yet no evidence to indicate a decline in the demand for softwood plywood. There will be dips, of course, but the long term prospect looks as if more and more of it will be used, with special emphasis on the exterior phenolic type. Today there is a government order directing each Douglas fir plywood manufacturer that produces both exterior and interior plywood to produce at least 50% of its reserve production in exterior type. From November on, its "reserve" production is required to be at least 30% of its average monthly production of softwood plywood during its base period (the fourth calendar quarter of 1950 and the first calendar quarter of 1951). The reserve is to be used to supply military orders. It is estimated that 40% of phenolic type plywood is now going into military uses.

Uses for Plywood on Upward Spiral

Among the naval and military uses for plywood are mine sweepers that range in length from 60 to 158 ft. (large quantities of resorcinol are also used for this purpose in laminated wood); landing craft; pallets on which tanks are loaded in preparation for delivery by parachute into combat areas; shelters for military housing in extreme Arctic or tropical climates; and, of course, all sorts of construction jobs where it is used both structurally and for concrete forms. In relation to shelters, it has been pointed out that when treated with pentachlorophenol, phenolic bonded plywood will withstand weathering in the tropics as well or better than most any other material. It is also significant that redwood plywood is especially adaptable for structural work in the tropics. Every foot of redwood plywood is processed with phenolic. Redwood costs about 10% more than fir but longevity is improved. Redwood plywood structures have now given satisfactory use in Hawaii for at least four years. From this demonstration, it is logical to assume that such structures would be practical for the Armed Forces, rubber companies, oil companies, steel companies, and all other industries which maintain housing projects in tropical regions.

Broadening the Production Base

A significant trend in the plywood picture is that M-63, the NPA's plywood order, specifies that each Douglas fir plywood manufacturer that produces interior type only is required to produce at least 40% of its reserve production in grades suitable for con-

crete form use. This indicates an increasing volume use for that purpose, but the interesting angle for phenolic resin producers in this development is that an ever-increasing amount of concrete form plywood is being bonded with phenolic resins instead of so-called interior glues in order to lengthen its life and improve its re-use possibilities.

Millions of Pounds of Adhesives

In housing, softwood plywood of both interior and exterior types has nowhere near reached its peak, according to plywood use analysts. Somewhere near half a billion sq. ft., based on a $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. thickness, will have been used for this purpose in 1951. A plywood pre-fab uses about an average of 4000 sq. ft.; a small rambler or ranch-type house uses 400 sq. ft.; apartments consume anywhere from 150 to 300 sq. ft. per unit, if the plywood used for concrete forms is counted. About 60,000 pre-fabs will be built in 1951; about 58,000 in 1952. A large quantity of resorcinol is used for these jobs, but other resins are also used in big volume. Each of these structures will use at least some plywood. Increasing use of plywood for exteriors in all types of structures has also been promoted by the development of such plastic surfacing as phenolic impregnated paper like Kimpreg and specially prepared synthetic coatings like the alkyd type resin sealers such as White Rez.

Boats, of course, are another big civilian use for both soft- and hardwood plywood with phenolic and resorcinol resins generally employed. Laminated wood is also likely to be a coming development in this field.

This covers only a part of the softwood plywood applications; we can't possibly discuss all of them in this space. At a later date the discussion will be continued as it pertains particularly to laminated wood, resorcinol, and other frontiers now emerging in the plywood and wood veneer industry—and the consequent need for synthetic resins.

Bullets, Butter, and Nylon Plastics

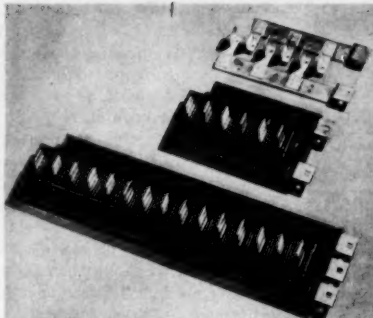
One of the developments that has currently caught the plastics industry by surprise is the availability of nylon plastics. Shortly after Korea, nylon plastic became exceptionally tight largely because a sizable percentage of total production was being used as jacking for infantry assault wire. There is still a large quantity of nylon being used for that purpose, but Du Pont has increased production to such an extent that it can now take care of all military needs and have a goodly amount left over for civilian applications. In view of this situation, and because NPA has adopted a basic policy of minimum control whenever possible, it is quite probable that the nylon allocation order may be revoked in the near future.

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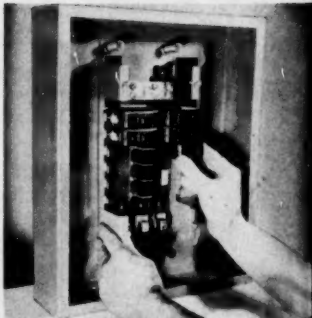
Courtesy Ideal Plastics Corp.

Skin-like head and limbs of Bonnie Braids doll are slush molded plastisol



Photos courtesy Trumbull Electric

Shock-resistant, insulated bus bar assembly for circuit breaker boxes and panel control boards is made by casting metal bars in a solid $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. thick piece of vinyl plastisol



PROBABLY no materials in the plastics industry are as versatile, as promising—and as yet unappreciated—as vinyl plastisols.¹ Most people in the industry who have not already become acquainted with the varied virtues of plastisols think of them as “that goo used for slush molding.” But plastisols are much more important than that slighting remark would indicate and their applications reach into many fields.

Vinyl plastisols can be slush molded into hollow objects—and can be molded into hollow shapes by a similar but less well known process called rotational molding. They can also be injection molded; molded in closed molds with little or no pressure; cast to shape in open molds; extruded; dip molded; dip coated; spread coated on paper or fabric; cast into film or sheet; used in inks; spray coated; or expanded into foam.

Some of these methods of processing plastisols have already found numerous applications; others are just being perfected and have yet to find large scale commercial applications. Dip coatings, for example, are used on items as varied as bobby pin tips and industrial plating tanks

¹ Plastisols (often called “paste resins”) are dispersions or intimate mixtures of vinyl resins in liquid plasticizers with appropriate stabilizers, pigments, and other modifiers added. They are 100% total solids materials, and should not be confused with organosols, which contain volatile solvents.

It's Done With

Plastisols

From bobby pins to bus bars, from playthings to plating racks,

these versatile vinyls are just beginning to be appreciated

10 ft. long. Sprayed plastisols and foamed plastisols, on the other hand, have as great and as varied potentialities as dip coatings—but their uses remain to be developed.

Regardless of the method of processing used, there are two basic steps necessary to transform a liquid plastisol into a finished product. First the liquid or paste must be made to assume the desired shape or form. Then it must be heated so that the resin, plasticizer, and modifiers fuse into a homogeneous piece.

The length of time required for fusion at a specific temperature depends upon the size and shape of the finished product and upon the formulation of the particular plasti-

sol being used. Usually the cure temperature ranges from 305 to 375° F. However, at least one manufacturer of plastisols, Elastomer Chemical Corp., Nutley, N.J., has developed a special low temperature curing material which fuses at 185 to 225° F. This material was developed for making flexible molds from plaster master models because the masters on which the molds are cast would not stand up under the higher cure temperatures. In other applications, such as fabric coating, this low temperature material can be used to speed up production by cutting down fusing time.

There are so many methods of processing plastisols, and so many



variations of each method, that there is virtually no such thing as a standard plastisol material. Each individual slush molder, for example, has his own method of slush molding. Consequently, he has his own ideas as to what the viscosity of a plastisol should be, at what temperature the ovens should be operated, how rigid the finished piece should be, etc. As a result, plastisols are usually tailor-made for each application and for each customer.

Variations in the properties of plastisols can be obtained by combining as many as six or eight different plasticizers, several stabilizers, and one or more pigments or fillers, in a single compound.² There are so many variables that the possibilities are infinite, and it takes an expert to design a plastisol compound so that the material and the finished product will have the combination of properties desired.

One of the most important variables in plastisols is the plasticizer-

² See "Vinyl Plastisol Compounding," by W. D. Todd, *MODERN PLASTICS* 27, 111 (Nov. 1949).

resin ratio. The plasticizer content can be as little as 55 parts to each 100 parts of resin and can be as much as 120 or even 150 parts plasticizer to 100 parts resin.

The rigidity of a finished plastisol piece depends in large measure upon the resin content. Normally, plastisols range in hardness from 50 to 90 durometer. However, Stanley Chemical Co., East Berlin, Conn., is now making one plastisol formulation with a durometer hardness of 25 and United Chromium, Inc., New York, N.Y., has one plastisol material with a durometer hardness of 100.

Among the other plastisol properties which can be built in by proper compounding are abrasion resistance; oil, grease, and solvent resistance; low temperature flexibility; and plasticizer retention to avoid stiffening and cracking with age.

The properties desired depend, of course, upon the application. What those applications are today can best be considered by taking a look at the various processing methods.

Slush Molding

Slush molding, which could more accurately be called slush casting, is a method of producing hollow objects. The process consists of completely filling a mold with plastisol, holding the filled mold under heat long enough for the desired thickness of material to set on the inside wall of the mold, pouring out the excess material, continuing to heat the mold to fuse the material remaining in it, cooling the mold, and removing the piece from the mold.³

There are almost as many variations of this process as there are processors. The types of molds used, the method of filling the molds, the method of applying heat, and the method of moving the molds from one stage to the other will depend upon the tastes and prejudices of the molder, the length of the run, and the equipment available.

Some of the large doll manufacturers, for example, have almost completely automatic set-ups in which the only thing done by hand is the removal of the finished piece from the mold. Smaller operators do almost the whole process by hand. There is no standard equipment

³ See "Slush Molding Vinyl Plastisols," by Eugene B. Greenspun, *MODERN PLASTICS* 28, 101 (Oct. 1950).

Courtesy Molded Latex Products, Inc.



Toys with rubber latex bodies have swivel-mounted animal heads slush molded of vinyl plastisol which are decorated in bright colors



Slush molded vinyl is used for the heads and limbs of many dolls because of its feel, color, and moldability

Courtesy Bakelite Co.

available for slush molding—and the automatic equipment which does exist is considered top secret by those who have it.

Doll heads, arms, and legs were the first major application of slush molded vinyl plastisols—and are still far and away the number one application. Plastisols have virtually pushed rubber latex out of the picture in this application because they have a better, more life-like feel; can more easily be molded to intricate shapes; have better color; and do not pick up dirt as readily as does the more porous surface of rubber. In this application, plastisols are just about competitive with rubber in price but, according to one large doll manufacturer: "Plastisols are so much better that a price comparison is academic."

Ideal Toy Corp., Hollis, N.Y., one of the pioneers in the slush molding field, has used vinyl plastisol parts on its Snoozie, Blessed Event, Bonnie Braids, and Three-Faced dolls. It is also using slush molded vinyl faces or noses on some plush toys.

From dolls and doll parts, it is an easy step to puppets, marionettes, and similar small toys which must be hollow, flexible, and have molded-in detail. Such toys are being slush molded of vinyl plastisol by a number of companies including Geneve Mfg. Corp., Trenton, N.J.; Molded Latex Products, Inc., Paterson, N.J.; National Mask & Puppet Corp., Brooklyn, N.Y.; Lastic-Plastic, Burbank, Calif.; Arrow Rubber & Plastic Corp., Paterson, N.J.; Model Plastics, White Plains, N.Y.; and Jay V. Zimmerman Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Rotational Molding

The process known as rotational molding is considered by many people to be a variation of slush molding—they are wrong. Rotational molding differs from slush molding mainly in that only the predetermined amount of plastisol needed for the finished piece is put into the mold. Thus there is no need to empty out excess material at one stage of the process. Consequently, completely closed molds can be used and the finished object does not need to have any hole in it.

The process gets its name from the fact that the mold is rotated (usually about more than one axis) to distribute the vinyl plastisol

evenly on the inside surface of the mold. Some slush molders rotate their molds (usually about only one axis)—but, as in all slush molding, the molds are completely filled with plastisol, some of which has to be poured out before the piece is fused.

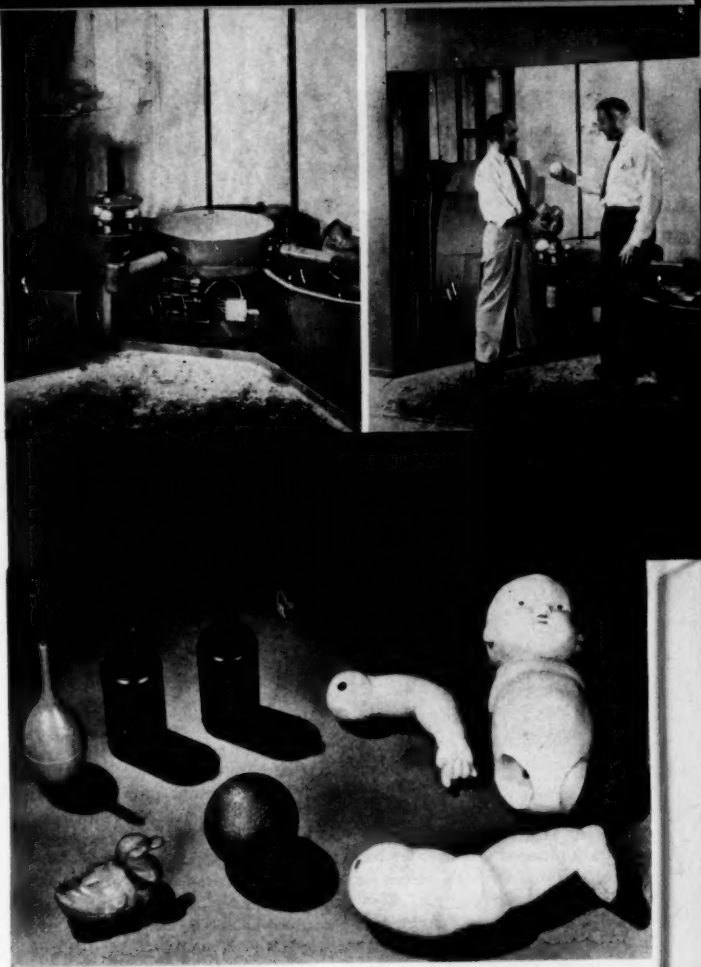
Most of the equipment used for rotational molding, like that used for slush molding, is built by the molders themselves and details of design are considered secret. However, there is one rotational molding machine which has been developed as a standard piece of equipment available to molders on a leasing arrangement from Vinl-Cast, Inc., Akron, Ohio. Machine and method are covered by pending patents.

The Vinl-Cast machine has four stations, and the molds are transported from one station to another

on four horizontal arms which extend from a central pillar. At the first station, in front of the machine, the plastisol material is put into the molds. The operator then starts the machine and the molds are rotated about the axis of the arm, rotated about an axis at right angles to the axis of the arm, and simultaneously transported one quarter turn clockwise around the central pillar.

At the second station, a two-part oven closes around the still-rotating mold and steam is introduced into the oven. After the steam cycle (during which a group of molds on another arm of the machine is being loaded), the molds are transported to the third station.

There the molds are submerged in a bath of paraffin or glycerine at 350° F. for three to six minutes, de-





pending upon the size and shape of the piece. At the fourth station, the molds are plunged into a water bath to cool them so that the pieces can be easily removed.

Vinl-Cast machines can be built in various sizes. The ones now being built occupy only 100 sq. ft. of floor space and can accommodate molds, or groups of molds, up to 24 in. in diameter and 18 in. high. Among the items which have been produced on the machine are atomizer bulbs, doll parts, play balls, and small crib toys. Some 4-oz. Boston round vinyl plastisol squeezable bottles have also been produced on an experimental basis.

Injection Molding

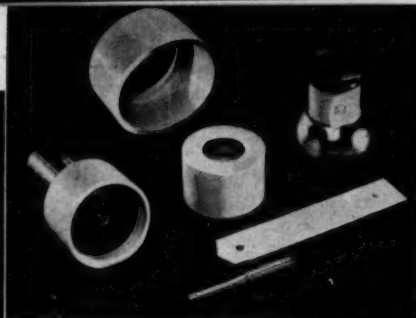
It is physically possible to mold vinyl plastisols in conventional injection molding machines—but whether it is practical and/or economical is still a moot question. The liquid plastisol can be dumped into the hopper of an injection machine and molded—if the dies are built to close tolerances so that the liquid does not squirt out the parting line when injected into the cavity. But this type of operation presents prob-

lems and has seldom, if ever, been used on a production basis.

A more practical method is to extrude the vinyl plastisol, pelletize it, and then use the pellets as an injection molding material. There is some question, however, as to whether many things can be accomplished by this method which could not be accomplished more directly by using a regular elastomeric vinyl molding material.

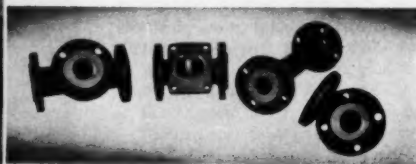
About the only application of injection molded vinyl plastisol known to be in production is a military application, the details of which are classified. The reason for using a plastisol in that case is the need for unusual low temperature resistance, and oil and grease resistance—all of which could be obtained more easily in a plastisol compound than in an ordinary molding compound. The plastisol for this application is extruded and pelletized before molding.

Vinyl plastisols can also be "injection molded" without the use of conventional injection machines or other expensive equipment. Because of their viscosity, and because they can be fused with heat and without pressure, vinyl plastisols can be injected into closed molds with an ordinary grease gun. The molds can be held closed in small compres-



Courtesy Plastic Specialties, Inc.

Plating masks are produced by injecting vinyl plastisol into closed mold. Collar type mask snaps on



Courtesy F. D. Pace Co.

Metal pipe is lined with vinyl plastisol for chemical resistance. Vinyl on flanges insures tight seal

sion presses—or even with clamps or bolts.

Undoubtedly the most interesting application of vinyl plastisols molded by this simplified injection method is the Magic Carpet molded by the Magic Door Div., The Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn., using plastisols made by The Stanley Chemical Co., East Berlin, Conn. The Magic Carpet, which is made in various sizes ranging from 29 by 36 in. to 29 by 93 in., controls the operation of a door in a manner similar to that of the photoelectric "eye."

The Magic Carpet consists of a single molded piece of vinyl plastisol $\frac{1}{16}$ -in. thick with a $\frac{3}{16}$ -in. thick sandwich of three aluminum plates molded-in. The plates are held apart by spacers and are connected to lead wires. As little weight as that of a 23 lb. child anywhere on the carpet is enough to push two of the plates together and make an electrical contract.

Before vinyl plastisol was adopted, the Magic Carpets were made of rubber. These could not be molded in the same manner, and the aluminum plates had to be sealed between sheets of rubber. The advantages of vinyl plastisol, in addition to the fact that it can be molded in one piece, include resistance to

water, ice, and snow; resistance to abrasion and wear; resistance to soaps, acids, and alkalies used in cleaning solutions; resistance to the effects of weather, including exposure to direct sunlight.

Vinyl plastisols are also being injected into a closed mold to produce plating masks made by Plastic Specialties, Inc., Palatine, Ill. The masks conserve current and plating material and avoid cleaning-up operations by preventing deposition of plating on anything but the sections of the metal parts where the plating is required.

There are masking tapes which can be used for this purpose, but they require time-consuming manual application and must be replaced after each plating cycle. Masking waxes are costly and have a tendency to flake off in the plating bath. Rubber masks would require expensive dies and would deteriorate in prolonged contact with plating solutions.

The vinyl plastisol masks are inexpensive to produce, withstand exposure to cleaning solutions and plating acids, resist the 150 to 160° F. heat encountered in the plating bath, are easy to apply and remove, and can be reused repeatedly.

To make the masks, Plastic Specialties takes a sample of the part to be masked, or a thin aluminum duplicate, and invests it in a metal chamber. The space between the part and the inside walls of the chamber becomes the mold for the vinyl mask. The specially compounded plastisol, supplied by Bradley & Vrooman Co., Chicago, Ill., is transferred from a pressure tank into the mold through a nozzle. The mold is then sealed and put in an oven at about 425° F. for 20 min. The mold is then placed in cold water before being opened for removal of the vinyl part.

Where the shape of the part is such that an enclosed mask cannot be slipped into position, the vinyl plastisol mask can be made in the form of a collar with an integral button so that it can be snapped on or off.

Injection of vinyl plastisol into a closed mold is also being used by Robinson Plate Glass Co., Akron, Ohio, to mold vinyl plastisol threaded fittings onto the ends of ceramic pipe.

A similar application which should



probably be mentioned under the heading of injected plastisols, although the manufacturer refuses to discuss his method of production, is the plastisol-lined metal pipe being produced by F. D. Pace Co., Grand Rapids, Mich. The Pacite lined pipe made by this company is available in any diameter in lengths up to 10 ft. The vinyl plastisol lining is usually $\frac{1}{8}$ in. thick for pipe up to 3 in. diameter and $\frac{3}{16}$ in. for larger pipe.

The pipe is flanged and the plastisol lining covers part of the flange so that a tight plastisol-to-plastisol seal is obtained when two sections of the pipe are joined. The pipe lining has a smooth finish and is highly resistant to inorganic acids, alkalies, oxidizing agents, and corrosive inorganic salts. It withstands temperatures as high as 180° F. and as low as minus 20° F.

Costing

Closely allied to the modified injection molding of plastisols is casting in open molds. This method is being used by Burke Flexo-Products Co., Traverse City, Mich., to produce fishing lures from Geon paste resin. The lures, cast to the shape of insect larvae, are made in open face molds. The heat required for fusion of the plastisol is applied with thermostatically controlled hot plates.

Printing rollers are also being cast of vinyl plastisol. Ames Rubber Co., Hamburg, N.J., is using a plastisol material made by Elastomer Chemical Co. to produce the rollers, most of which are about 9 in. long and $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. in diameter. On an experimental basis, other manufacturers have cast rollers up to 14 in. in

diameter and several feet in length.

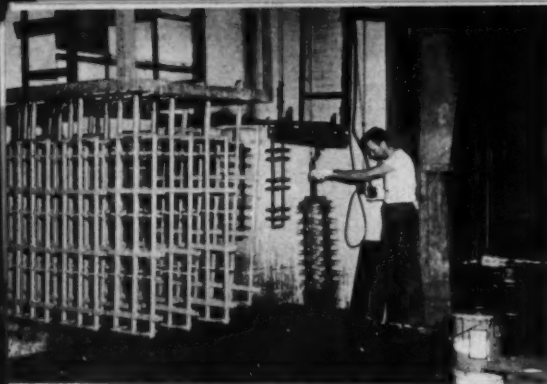
Metal parts are cast into plastisol in bus bar assemblies for circuit breaker boxes and panel control boards made by Trumbull Electric, Plainville, Conn. Instead of being mounted in the box separately, the two or three metal bus bars for each unit are cast into a single piece of vinyl plastisol $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. thick which insulates them from one another, holds them in the proper position, protects them from damage, and labels the various contact prongs which protrude from the plastisol piece.

The 12-circuit bus bar assembly, shown in an accompanying photo-



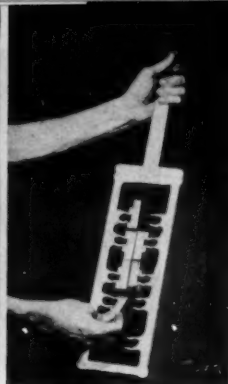
Courtesy Bakelite Co.

Rain boots are made in one piece by dip molding vinyl plastisol material



Courtesy B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.

Plating racks are given necessary insulation by dip coating them with vinyl plastisol, which is impervious to acids used in plating



Courtesy B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.

Plastisol coating on plating rack adheres tightly to metal



Courtesy Bakelite Co.

Tool handles can be dip coated for insulation or softer, warmer feel

graph with the two metal parts that are in it, is 7 by 4 in. and contains 12½ oz. of vinyl plastisol. Trumbull also makes a 30-circuit unit which is 16 in. long and has 27 oz. of vinyl, and a 42-circuit unit 22 in. long with 37 oz. of vinyl.

These pieces are made in formed sheet steel hinged molds. The plastisol material, supplied by Stanley Chemical, is poured into the mold and then the metal bars, which are attached to the top half of the mold, are immersed in the plastisol by closing the mold. The top half of the mold contacts the vinyl material only where necessary to mold the barrier fins and identifying letters into the top surface. The 12½-oz. piece is cured for 1 hour at 300° F.

Dip Molding

Certain types of vinyl plastisol items can be produced by dip molding.

The procedure is to dip a metal form into a tank of vinyl plastisol, fuse the thin film which adheres to the form, cool the form, and then strip off the plastisol. Thin-walled rain boots are being produced by Coffey-Hoyt Products Co., Gardena, Calif., and unsupported gloves and similar items can also be produced in this manner.

Another end product of dip molding is elbow-like spark plug protectors. Endlaco, Milwaukee, Wis., is dip molding such protectors on specially built automatic equipment capable of turning out 7000 pieces per hour. Ideal Plastics Corp., Hollis, N.Y., is making similar protectors for Kravex Mfg. Corp., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dip Coating

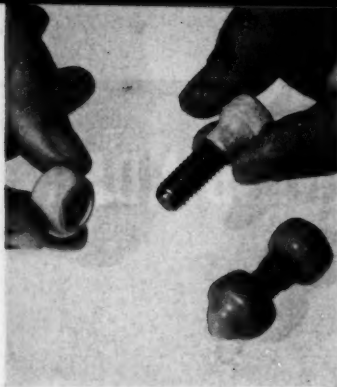
Many different types of things can be coated with vinyl plastisol by dipping. If a thin film is desired, the

article to be coated is immersed at room temperature, allowed to drain, then fused at 350 to 375° F. Heavier coatings can be obtained by preheating the part to be coated. Sometimes immediate gelation of the deposit is necessary to control runs and tears. This can be accomplished by plunging the coated part into hot oil, glycerine, or wax.

Because vinyl plastisol does not adhere to metal, a bonding adhesive must often be used when coating metal parts which are not perforated or do not have an intricate weave so that the plastisol-to-plastisol bond will provide sufficient adhesion.

Michigan Chrome & Chemical Co., Detroit, Mich., which is coating plating equipment and supplying vinyl plastisols to other coaters, has developed a two-coat primer which gives such a strong vinyl-to-metal bond that the coating cannot be





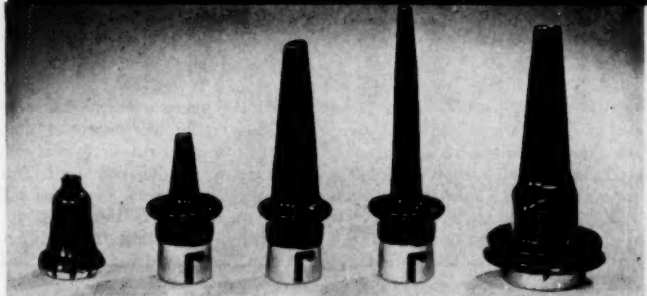
Courtesy B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.

Low carbon nuts and bolts encased in plastisol can operate in corrosive chemical baths

pulled off even with pliers. The vinyl plastisol itself will break before the bond fails.

The most important applications for dip coatings at present are in racks, tanks, baskets, fume ducts, and other metal plating equipment. Vinyl plastisol is superior to rubber for plating equipment coating because it has better abrasion resistance, is impervious to chromic acid, and can be applied more easily. By controlling compound viscosity, temperature of the article being dipped, and speed of dipping and withdrawal, it is possible to apply coatings with thicknesses ranging from a few mils to $\frac{1}{4}$ in. per dip.

Among the companies active in protecting plating equipment with vinyl plastisol coatings are Michigan Chrome & Chemical Co.; F. D. Pace Co.; National Plating Rack Co., Paterson, N.J.; and R. W. Renton Co., Cleveland, Ohio.



After plating equipment, the second most important application of dip coatings is probably dish drainers. Vinyl plastisol has replaced rubber in this application because it has better resistance to hot water, soaps, and detergents; has better color; wears better; is easier to coat; and costs less. Among the

companies coating dish racks with plastisol are Artistic Wire Products, Inc., East Hampton, Conn.; The Washburn Co., Worcester, Mass.; Wooster Rubber Co., Wooster, Ohio.

Recently, vinyl plastisol-coated racks have been adopted in place of stainless steel racks in the auto-
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The appearance and feel of straw and the wearing qualities of vinyl are combined in plastisol coated fabric suitable for table tops, wall covering, etc.

Plastisol coated safety clothing gives chemical worker maximum protection and is light in weight. Coated overalls weigh 27 oz.

Photos courtesy B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.



MARBLE WITH A STYRENE BINDER



Traffic lines, combining ground marble with a styrene binder, have demonstrated excellent wearing qualities on civilian roads and military installations. The markers will always remain as white as new and can withstand pounding, moisture, and chemical action

PERMANENT traffic lines for roads and airport runways have been made possible by an unusual combination of two materials: ground marble and a styrene binder. This new traffic line, developed by Perma-Line Corp. of U. S., New York, N.Y., is laid into previously-prepared grooves in asphalt, concrete, or other road surfaces.

Lines of this type have demonstrated their wearing qualities in test installations on civilian roads and at military bases. Although its original cost is far greater than that

of painted lines, a Perma-Line installation is far less expensive than paint in the long run because it will last as long as the road itself. This reduces maintenance expenses and eliminates periodic traffic disruptions for repainting. In addition, safety is increased because the line is always as white as new.

Method of Installation

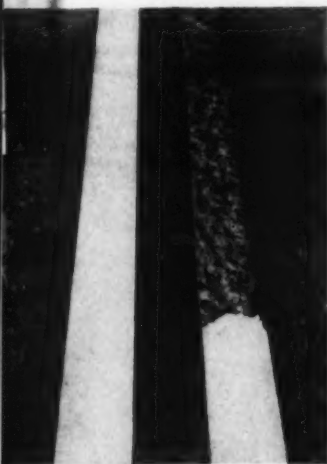
A Perma-Line from two to six in. wide and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep can be installed in a concrete, asphalt, macadam, or brick road, and becomes

an integral part of the road. A channel is first ground out of the road surface with special grinding wheels developed for Perma-Line by Norton Co., Worcester, Mass. The Perma-Line material is then put into this groove and cured.

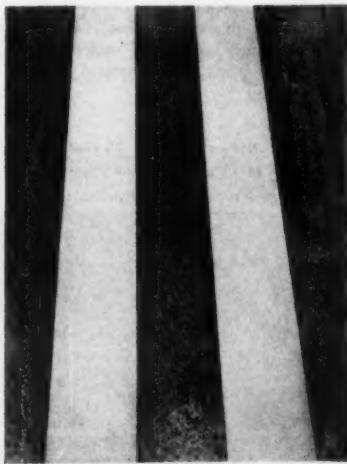
The basic ingredient of the mixture used is ground-up chips of marble. These marble particles are bonded to each other and to the road surface by a styrene-base binder supplied by Koppers Co., Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa. The coefficient of expansion of the Perma-Line mixture can be varied by varying the ratio of marble and binder in the mixture. This ratio is adjusted so that the Perma-Line has the same coefficient of expansion as the road surface. The percentage of styrene-base binder in the mixture varies from 13 to as much as 27 percent.

The Perma-Line mixture is heated, laid into the groove with specially built machinery, and then leveled and cured with a hot roller.

The finished line is impervious to pounding, moisture, or the chemical action of rock salt. Because it is level with the road, it cannot be scooped up or torn out by a snow plow. It wears out at the same rate as the road and has about the same traction as cement. It remains gleaming white because the color is integral in the marble chips and the mixture contains some titanium pigment. The rubbing action of automobile tires polishes the line instead of wearing it off.



Material for traffic line is placed in groove (right) cut into airport runway



Marble and styrene mixture becomes integral part of runway after levelling and curing with hot roller

Big Test Proves Big Bottle

IMPACT resistance of large polyethylene bottles at low temperature was dramatically demonstrated recently by Elmer E. Mills Corp., Chicago, Ill., producer of a new 1-gal. capacity blow-molded polyethylene bottle.

The large bottle was first filled with water and frozen for 60 hours. Then it was dropped from a 30-ft. height onto a concrete sidewalk. Aside from surface scratches, the fall had absolutely no effect on the bottle; the ice was equally unaffected.

The bottle was frozen first in order to subject it to the severest possible stress upon being dropped. Exposure to extremely low temperatures tends to make most materials brittle; this test definitely established the ability of the large-size bottle to take punishment.

After the bottle and its contents had thawed, it was thrown up in the air about 30 ft. three times. Once it landed on its corner, once on the closure, and once flat. Again, the bottle suffered no damage.

This unusual impact resistance is reported to be due largely to the bottle's engineering design which incorporates an ideal relationship between diameter, height, and strength.

The bottle neck, designed for use with a special molded polyethylene closure, has its own pouring lip and carries a modified AST 29-deg. stub thread, with three full turns for positive sealing. The closure requires no liner and offers three methods of screwing or unscrewing. The 12-sided contour of the closure body fits a standard box wrench; a hexagonal head on the upper section of the cap accommodates either a box or monkey wrench; and grooves on top of the closure permit the use of a rod or screw driver shaft for capping.

The container offers many features of interest to bulk shippers of liquids. Its weight is less than one-third that of a glass container of equal capacity. In addition, it requires no bulky or expensive supplementary packaging protection. If the contents freeze, the bottle will expand rather than burst.

Closure on new polyethylene bottle is designed to be opened or closed with either a standard box or a monkey wrench, or a screw driver



Polyethylene bottle, filled with water and frozen, is dropped from a height of 30 ft. (top) to the concrete sidewalk (bottom); bottle showed no ill effects or damages aside from minor surface scratches



Duct Systems for Industrial Plants

Styrene-rubber copolymer as structural material is lighter, less expensive than stainless steel, more durable than wood or galvanized metal. Even rivets and bolts are made of plastic

Sheets of styrene-rubber copolymer were fabricated to produce this tall exhaust stack for handling products of combustion

A MAJOR trend in the plastics industry—and one for every fabricator and raw material producer to watch—is found in the growing importance of plastics as structural materials for industrial uses.

Only part of this trend can be attributed to the present shortage of steel, copper, aluminum, and other metals. Plastics can actually be the preferred materials because they offer the industrial consumer one big advantage: They can be specifi-

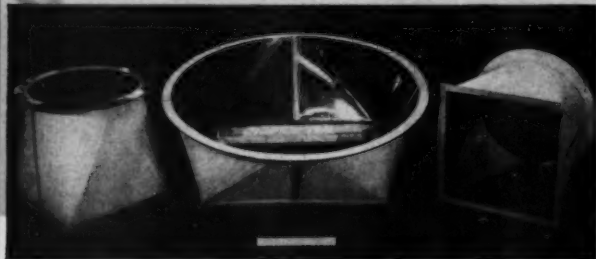
cally engineered to his expanding, more exacting needs.

A prime example of the trend is found in ducting systems and tanks for chemical plants, as now being manufactured on a large scale at Passaic, N.J., by the Mechanical Goods Div., U. S. Rubber Co. Tanks, lines, trays, hoppers, feeders, fume exhaust hoods, collectors, washers, stacks, fume troughs, and gutters have all been fabricated by the company and received with enthu-

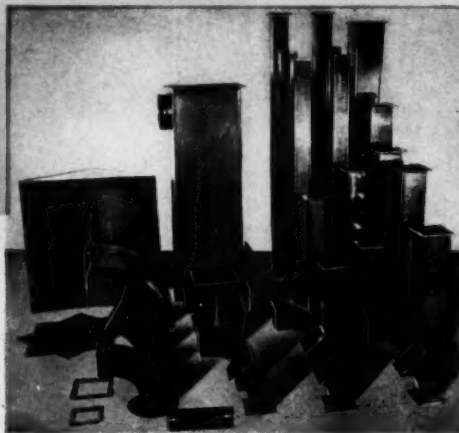
siasm by industry. The accompanying photos show a few of these uses.

U. S. Rubber is using a blend of high styrene resin and acrylonitrile rubber for its major construction material because this blend combines the three highly desirable properties of dimensional stability, toughness, and chemical resistance.

The equipment is "all plastic." No other material is used in construction. Reinforcing ribs and joint and corner strips are extruded from the



Duct transition sections can be made in virtually any size and shape, with flanges tailored to mate with the adjoining ducts

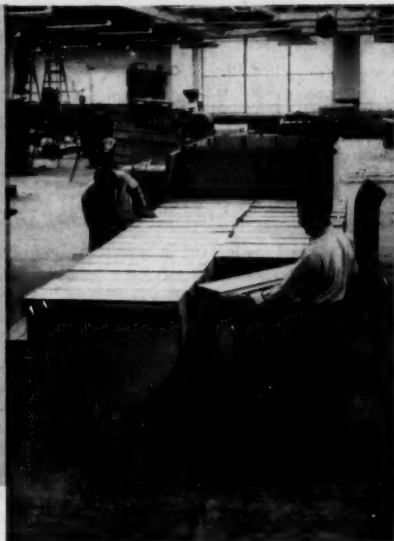


Acid resistance of material makes it ideal for use in these components of a system for scrubbing hydrochloric acid fumes



All photos courtesy U. S. Rubber Co.

Processing tank hood to handle sulfuric acid mist, built up of sheets of styrene-rubber copolymer. Corner pieces and ribs are extruded from the same material



Fume collectors for electroplating tanks. Airtight assemblies are produced by solvent welding the joints

styrene-nitrile rubber copolymer. Sheets which form the sides, tops, and bottoms of the ducts are of the same material fabricated into panels of either $\frac{1}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thickness. Rivets used in duct construction are injection molded and are headed-up with a hammer or gun in the same manner as metal rivets; the plastic exhibits sufficient cold flow to make this operation practical. Bolts are machined from extruded rod stock of the same material.

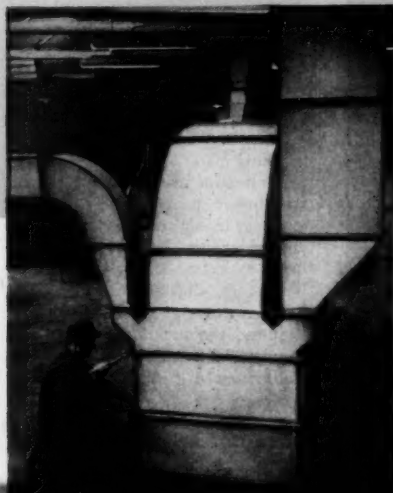
The parts are assembled with the rivets or bolts, and joints are solvent welded, utilizing the same plastic in solution form to make an airtight assembly. No paint or other surface protection is required.

The finished ducts are much cheaper than stainless steel construction and are much more durable than ordinary galvanized metal or wood. Because of their light weight, they are easily installed.

They offer excellent resistance to

hydrochloric, hydrofluoric, phosphoric, and sulfuric acids. They also resist such chemicals as sodium hydroxide, ammonium chloride, copper sulfate, ferric chloride, chlorine gas or solution, bleach solution, hydrogen peroxide (3% maximum), oleic acid, and castor oil.

The ducts also have good resistance to the aliphatic hydrocarbons but are not resistant to the aromatic hydrocarbons, ketones, esters, and chlorinated solvents.



Cover for chlorine and chlorine dioxide processing vat under construction. Material can be worked with ordinary hand tools

Copolymer sheet ducts are literally "all-plastic." Even rivets (injection molded) and bolts (machined) are of same material

Reinforced Plastic Now Transparent

New reinforced plastic material combines the light transmission qualities of glass with the strength and the durability of plastics

A PRIME ambition of the reinforced plastics industry has been to produce a fibrous glass-resin transparent sheet.

Obviously, big markets would accrue to a thermoset material with the strength of reinforced plastics, the ultra-violet light transmission of plastic, and the light transmission of glass. Until now, reinforced plastics materials were capable of transmission of only 55 to 65% of the visual light transmitted by air.

Experimentation by Corrugulux Corp., Houston, Texas, has finally resulted in the development of Duralux, an almost-transparent reinforced plastic material that will transmit from 75 to 90% of the visual light transmitted by air, and thus compares closely with 1/4-in. plate glass or ribbed glass in light transmission.

Duralux is now in a corrugated form to match commercially available corrugated roofing and siding

sheets of metal or asbestos, and is being prepared for production in flat form with a commercially smooth finish for skylighting, wall lighting, shatter-proof window pane use, ceiling lighting panels, displays, etc. In its flat form it is said to allow the viewer to distinguish objects several miles away, yet possesses flexural strength in excess of 15,000 p.s.i., and has a loading capacity of over 100 lb. per sq. ft. on a 4-ft. span, 1/16-in. thick.

The new product, which is available in several colors for decorative use as well as in the standard daylight blue or infra-green for daylighting of buildings, contains two oz. of glass fiber per sq. ft. in the 1/16-in. thick standard form. This is approximately the level of reinforcement used in the regular translucent corrugated reinforced plastics sheets.

In application, the new transparent reinforced plastic can be sawed and drilled with standard hard-tipped tools, and is intended to be framed as is sheet glass for several applications. Patents on it and trade mark registration are pending.

In the illustration herewith, the left side of the window contains glass, the right side the reinforced plastic sheet. A 25-calibre bullet makes a clean round hole in the plastic, and a fast-pitched rock produces a local surface fracture, but does not break it. The glass is smashed by either attack.

Center panels show the comparative transparency of the glass and reinforced plastics sheets, indicating that this material opens the way for the manufacture of shatter-proof instrument panels, which can be easily read, shatter-proof industrial and commercial window panes, and many other applications which were heretofore impossible. For applications where transparency is not required, the manufacturer will continue to offer its translucent material known as Corrugulux.

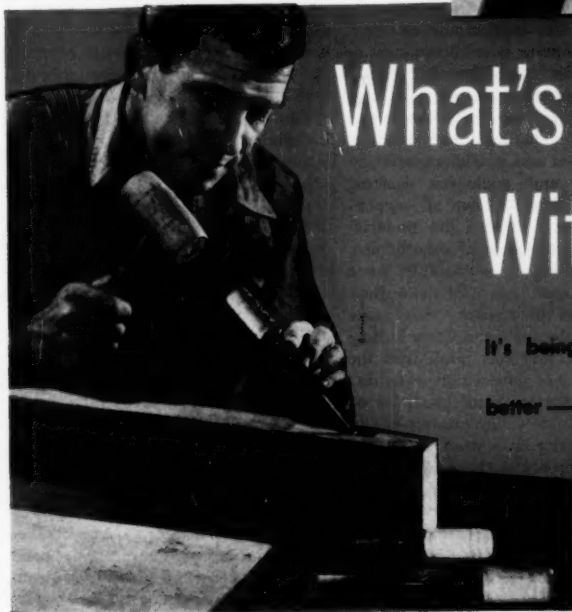
Reinforced plastic on the right shows only clean round hole from a bullet's entry and a local surface fracture from force of a thrown rock; glass on left is smashed by either



Fig. 1—Extruded rods of today (right) are stronger and clearer than those of two years ago (left)

Fig. 2—Chisel handles made of ethyl cellulose have proved their durability under severe impact tests

Courtesy Hercules Powder Co.



What's Happening With E.C.?

It's being made better, its prospects are better—and more of it is being made



Courtesy Hercules Powder Co.

Fig. 3—Strength and weather resistant qualities improve hedge clipper handle

IN THE 15 years that ethyl cellulose has been commercially available as a molding and extruding material, it has been subject to varying degrees of interest by molders and industrial end users. That interest has frequently been polemic: those who favored it were all for it; those who were against it were inclined to discount it completely. The favor or disfavor of the molder depended on his success or failure with ethyl cellulose.

Ethyl cellulose has always been a material of great promise. It's an ether, not an ester, so its latent ability to be compounded with very small amounts of plasticizer, introduced by the aid of heat and mechanical mixing alone, without intermediate colloiding steps, gives it desirable basic toughness and resistance capabilities.

There never was anything wrong with the economics of the use of ethyl cellulose: its low specific gravity, even at present prices, makes it comparable to other materials of similar impact strength and weatherability. But even as recently as two years ago this material suffered from three faults. First, there was the difficulty of coloring it. Second, it required a slow molding cycle. Third, there was an apparent lack of uniformity in the molding material. Through lack of knowledge, molders often found trouble in using it. It had to be improved if its destiny was to be fulfilled.

It has been improved! And with the improvement in the material has come increased interest on the part of molders, and consequent wider demand. The largest maker, Hercules Powder Co., Wilmington, Del., has just announced that it is doubling its capacity for the production of Hercocel E (ethyl cellu-



Courtesy Hercules Powder Co.

Fig. 4—Improved ethyl cellulose colors highlight stylish new steel tape holder



Courtesy Dow Chemical Co.

Fig. 5—Extruded refrigerator parts will maintain strength at low temperatures



Photos courtesy Dow Chemical Co.

Fig. 6—Thin-sectioned extruded parts used for refrigerator breaker strips

lose molding powder). The time is now ripe to take a new look at this material.

Research Bearing Fruit

In military specifications, more and more frequent mention is being made of ethyl cellulose. At the same time, research and development over the past couple of years is suddenly bearing fruit in volume applications, while the promise is brighter for applications of even greater volume possibilities.

What has been happening quietly to ethyl cellulose in the past two years is that the flake producers, the molding material compounders, the molders and extruders, and the designers and engineers working with the material have all cooperated to revolutionize the material from the standpoint of ease of use. Improvements in moldability have resulted from improved flake. Better control of viscosity has made ethyl cellulose more uniform in flow properties, and has minimized the old disease of gels which were due either to unplasticized particles or contamination. Color properties and color stability have been vastly improved. Improved thermal stability of the base flake has for the first time made it possible to use re-ground scrap with or without virgin material, without loss of either initial color or physical properties. Higher density granulations have improved machine feeds and have stepped up cycles. Increased heating capacity has also brought about faster molding cycles and higher rates of extrusion. These factors of

higher density and increased heating capacity have opened markets for moldings of ethyl cellulose with much larger areas.

The two makers of ethyl cellulose flake—Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich., and Hercules Powder Co.—both approached these problems of clarity, uniformity, freedom from gel, greater density, and higher heating capacity from the same direction.

Standards Upgraded

It was found that standards for the selection of raw materials going into the flake had to be upgraded. Cellulose had to be selected with greater care, and alkalis had to have proved uniform strength. In processing to molding material, the flake manufacturers had to classify lots according to haze and color in order that molding material makers need not use guesswork in amounts of dyes to be used. Formulas were improved by a minimum of mixing. Uniformity of plasticizers was established and amounts of plasticizers more carefully controlled.

Result: ethyl cellulose today molds rapidly and well in large area pieces on economical cycles with virtually no rejects, with excellent color values and surface appearance, and strain-free. Another result: more new applications being developed for ethyl cellulose, and more interest created in it.

There are now five manufacturers of ethyl cellulose molding materials: Hercules Powder Co.; Dow Chemical Co. (both of these make the basic flake); Westchester Plastics, Inc., Mamaroneck, N.Y.; American Molding Powder & Chemical Corp., Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Gering Products, Inc., Kenilworth, N.J.

In molding or extruding materials from any of these makers, satisfactory moldings should result if the three operating variables—mold temperature, material temperature, and speed of injection—are watched.

In molding ethyl cellulose, the temperature of the mold should be kept as high as possible, depending on the wall thickness and design of the part involved, but usually in the range of 140 to 170° F. Since ethyl cellulose molds best when molded at the highest possible temperature that can be obtained without discoloration or blistering, a good rule

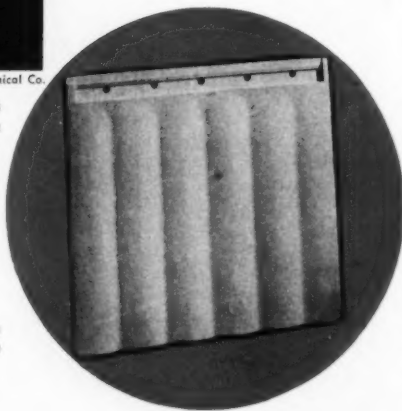


Fig. 7—Injection-molded ice-cream cabinet lid will resist repeated impact

of thumb in determining proper molding temperature for optimum molded properties is to heat the material until discoloration occurs, and then lower the temperature approximately 5 to 10 degrees.

Rapid Cycles

The new formulations of ethyl cellulose permit rapid molding cycles. It is wise to operate on the shortest cycle consistent with the production of satisfactory parts, because slow molding at lower temperatures may result in "rub-up" and unsatisfactory surfaces. High-heat, fast-cycle molding of ethyl cellulose is also a help in producing pieces with thin sections, where the physical properties of this material are advantageous.

Because of its extreme toughness, dimensional stability, impact resistance at low temperatures, chemical resistance, and weatherability, ethyl cellulose applications in the past have been concentrated in four major categories: tool handles and parts, refrigerator components, sporting goods and toys, and military devices. Never a cheap material per pound, it was used where it would do the most good, and generally where delicate colors were not involved. Now, with the new formulations on the market, ethyl cellulose not only is holding its former markets, but is going into new applications where its ability to be molded in thin sections, its ability to be molded in large areas, and its greatly improved color properties can pay off.

Tool Handles and Parts

A glance at Fig. 1 shows dramatically just what has happened to ethyl cellulose in two years. The extruded rod on the left—cloudy

and dark—was made from material available two years ago; the rod on the right—clear and amber in color—is the newer material which, because of its purity, is even stronger than the former.

Tool handles of ethyl cellulose are either molded or machined from extruded rod. The molded parts being made today in bright colors are produced for carpenter's braces, screw drivers, and saws and other cutting tools; extruded handles are used mainly for chisels and mallet heads, where impact strength is a big factor. For the chisel handles and mallet heads, amber material is nearly standard. But reds, greens, yellows, and blues are claiming



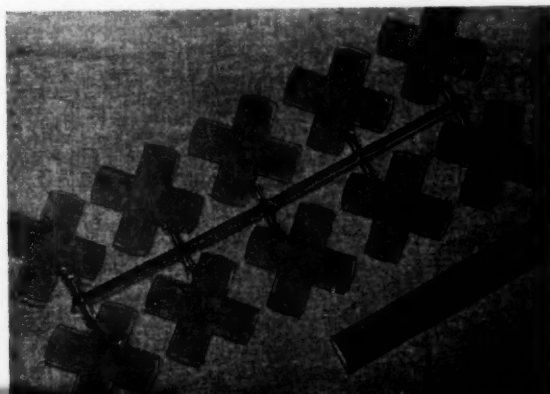
Fig. 8—Molded golf club faces in a variety of colors are custom fabricated



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Fig. 10—Army uses material in telephone handset subject to severe exposure

Fig. 11—Shot from mold for rocket inhibitor (top); inhibitor strip (bottom)





Courtesy Hercules Powder Co.

Fig. 12—Lightweight vacuum cleaner parts of ethyl cellulose can withstand rough handling; unlike metal, they will not damage the surface of furniture



Courtesy Dow Chemical Co.

Fig. 13—Toughness of material and its ability to resist attacks by the elements are reasons for its use in cable clamps

a greater preference where other tools are concerned.

Figure 2 shows transparent extruded ethyl cellulose rod, fabricated into chisel handles for Stanley Tool Co., New Britain, Conn. Figure 3 shows a molded Hercocel E handle as used on the redesigned hedge clipper made by the Robertson Div., King Pneumatic Tool Co., Chicago, Ill. This handle, molded by Elmer E. Mills Corp., Chicago, is made in two sections, cemented in place. Weather resistance, toughness, and adaptability to a difficult assembly were the main reasons behind the selection of this material.

Ethyl cellulose recently made its

first appearance in plastics housewares in injection molded handles for the "Best" stainless steel egg beater manufactured by Ekco Products Co., Chicago, Ill. While its high price presently prevents ethyl cellulose from gaining much of the housewares-components market, it is being considered for specific super-durable applications now that colors have improved. Another good example of this is the case for the Princess steel tape rule (Fig. 4), especially designed for use by women who sew. The case contains a 6-foot rule with an automatic friction brake to keep the blade extended to the desired length. Here the new

ethyl cellulose colors allow the case to be made in ivory, blue, and yellow. Manufacturer and distributor is Carlson & Sullivan, Inc., Monrovia, Calif. The case is molded of Gering material by Modern Plastics Co., Los Angeles, Calif.

Refrigerator Parts

The strength of ethyl cellulose at low temperatures has led to its wide use in extruded breaker strips. Dow has pioneered in this application, working with several extruders and almost every refrigerator maker. The thin-section possibilities, and the fact that complicated cross-sections can be extruded at high rates to close dimensional tolerances and with glossy surfaces, make the material a "natural" for the purpose. With the newer formulations, there is the added advantage of exact color matching; from the standpoint of economics, there is the fact that reground scrap can be used with no appreciable loss in physical characteristics or colors. Besides all this, the Ethocel extrusions are readily machined and punched with great economy, saving important money in assembly. Savings may be gaged by the fact that this relatively costly material competes with injection molded breaker strips of less expensive plastics.

There has been a parallel development of extrusion equipment and dies along with the development of better ethyl cellulose, in order that the full potentialities of the material might be utilized. Experience by Dow generally favors a closefitting

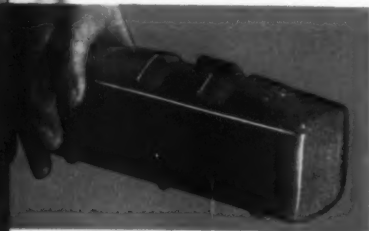
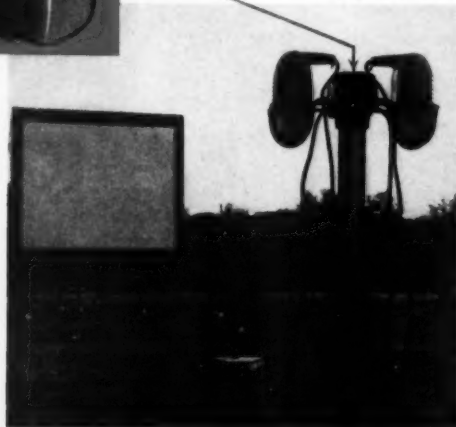


Fig. 14—Lack of need for refinishing makes ethyl cellulose housing (left) in use at outdoor theatres (below) more economical and practical than metal

Courtesy Hercules Powder Co.





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Fig. 15—Economical coated wires in blasting assembly resist crimping

screw with a torpedo having a plastic clearance of between $\frac{1}{16}$ and $\frac{1}{8}$ inch. A long machine gives better results than a short machine. Proper temperature control is an important consideration.

Figure 5 shows extruded Ethocel refrigerator parts produced by Presstite Mfg. Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Fig. 6 shows refrigerator and deep-freeze breaker strip sections now being made by Sandee Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill.

Injection molded ethyl cellulose is also moving into the refrigeration field, where resistance to repeated impact under low temperatures is important. A case in point is shown in Fig. 7. This 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -oz. piece is an Ethocel lid for an ice-cream cabinet, molded by General Products Co., Central Falls, R.I. for Savage Arms Corp., Utica, N.Y.

With the newer formulations of ethyl cellulose, it has been possible to get a perfect white for this purpose. Improved moldability has put the proposition on an economical press cycle, while the higher density granulations and increased heating capacity allow proper flow properties for producing such a large piece.

Sporting Goods and Toys

Soon after the close of World War II, when ethyl cellulose (the material was used in the proximity fuse) was available, while some other materials were not, it was used in a number of sporting goods and toy applications, and in several places where it could not hope to hold its



Courtesy Hercules Powder Co.

Fig. 16—Plastic bobbins have better resistance to moisture than wood

market in competition with lower-priced materials. That portion of the sporting goods and toy market retained by ethyl cellulose has been retained on the basis of quality alone. Again, the material development during the past two years is widening this market because of color advantage, speed of molding, and flow properties.

Golf club heads, for "woods," were developed soon after the war and are still in use; they are well accepted by golfers but resistance by manufacturers of golf equipment, caused by resistance from the golf professionals, has hampered the exploitation of this market. Recently, however, Hercocel E has been put to a new use in golf club heads. A. G. Spalding & Bros., Chicopee, Mass., is molding faces (Fig. 8) for golf "woods," then custom-fabricating them to fit individual clubs, attaching them with three Phillips

head screws. This development has presented some technical difficulties since the ethyl cellulose combines well with only certain types of wood. Selection of wood, therefore, is important in the continued acceptability of the finished product.

While it is unlikely that ethyl cellulose will ever be able to maintain a place in the highly competitive toy market, there are hundreds of specialized toys where cost is secondary to quality, and where sheer strength is a major factor. Good examples are in the field of scale model components for miniature railroad kits and scale models of farm equipment which are sold as toys or used promotionally. Figure 9 shows scale miniatures of two Allis-Chalmers tractors, both molded of Hercocel E by Product



Fig. 17—New development forresses use of material in shotgun shells

Miniature Co., Inc., Milwaukee, Wis.

When producing miniatures of existing products, the manufacturer is primarily concerned with obtaining a faithful reproduction which will also reflect the durability of the product even when viciously abused by children at play. If the miniature does not stand up, there is implanted in the mind of the parent, a possible purchaser of the fullscale equipment, a connotation of lack of quality; hence the use of ethyl cellulose for built-in abusability.

Military Applications

The Armed Forces turned naturally to ethyl cellulose for use in several products produced in great volume during World War II. These

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Redesigned Humidifier

Has proved value of

plastics in reducing weight and cost and in eliminating corrosion problems

AN ALL-PURPOSE humidifier, recently announced by Daffin Mfg. Co., Lancaster, Pa., makes excellent use of both phenolic and styrene in structural parts to keep costs low and quality high. This new unit, redesigned from an all-metal model, offers economical humidification in such industrial uses as in egg storage rooms, produce storage rooms, textile mills, and chemical plants, as well as in hospitals and the home. It is capable of evaporating over 3 lb. of water per hour at a power cost for its small electric motor of as low as 3¢ a day. All of the plastics parts in the unit are molded by American Insulator Co., New Freedom, Pa.

In working out the details of the all-plastic humidifier, Daffin wanted to get away from metals for a number of reasons. For example, one part of the motor mount, when machined from bronze, weighed nearly 3 pounds. The material cost was approximately 42¢ a pound, and this cost was more than doubled by the

machining operations which followed. The same part, molded of Durez phenolic, weighs only half a pound and is used as molded, with no machining operations necessary. This same advantage was carried through in practically all the parts which the company converted from metals to plastics.

The base pan which also serves as a water reservoir was originally made of formed aluminum sheet. After forming, it was necessary to drill the required holes and to mill the recess where the wire passes over the top edge. This milled recess was sharp and it was therefore necessary to install a grommet to protect the wire. Finishing operations on the aluminum base pan were expensive: it had to be cleaned thoroughly and then surface-protected with two baked coats of enamel.

Even with the protection of the baked surface coating, the pan would frequently be scratched and the exposed metal would rapidly

oxidize. In some cases, failure occurred in less than six months of operation where extreme corrosive conditions were encountered.

Styrene Parts

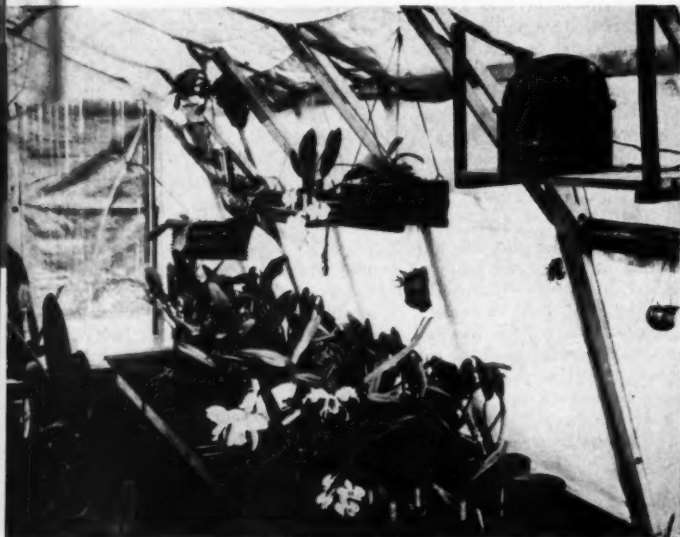
When the base pan was switched to injection molded styrene, troubles from corrosion were ended. Scratches would do no more damage than to mar the appearance. The styrene base pan has proved to be a better product; in addition, there are no after-machining operations, the use of a grommet is eliminated, no surface coating is needed.

The cover for the humidifier, with holes through which the vapor passes, is also injection molded of Bakelite styrene.

Third element of the humidifier to make use of molded styrene is the impeller and the impeller pump, which are mounted on the motor shaft. One of the greatest advantages found in this material use is the light weight of the completed impeller. The lightness permits

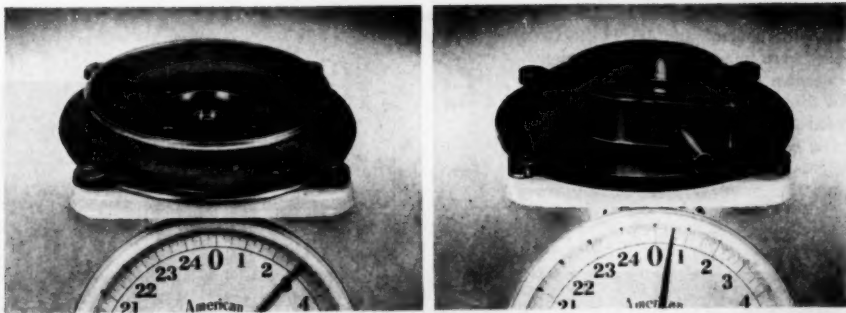
Redesigned humidifier, making use of both phenolic and styrene in structural parts, has numerous industrial and commercial applications in economically humidifying textile mills, chemical plants, greenhouses (left) and storage rooms (right).

Photos courtesy Daffin Mfg. Co.





Change-over in construction of humidifier from all-metal (left) to styrene and phenolic (right) not only effected greater savings in production costs, but resulted in a more durable product weighing just over half as much as metal predecessor



Machined metal casting (left) is nearly six times as heavy as the same part made of special heat- and moisture-resisting phenolic (right). Use of the plastic material eliminated the previous need for expensive finishing operations

mounting the armature of the motor below the magnetic center. Then, when the motor is energized, the armature, virtually unimpeded by the light weight impeller, is drawn toward the magnetic center, thereby eliminating practically all thrust on the motor bearings.

Phenolic Parts

A special heat- and moisture-resisting Durez phenolic was selected for molding the motor hood and mount, as well as the center pan which supports the motor and the housing. Screw inserts are molded into the center pan. No finishing is needed other than flash removal.

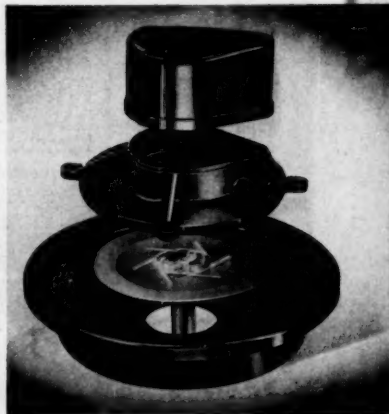
In addition to having longer life,

lower cost, and lighter weight than its metal predecessor, the plastics humidifier is reported to run more quietly and with much less vibration.

The unit is finding wide acceptance not only as a means of increasing humidity wherever required, but also for vaporizing other liquids than water for special purposes. For example, units have been installed in felt manufacturing plants for moth control. In this operation, a predetermined amount of cedar oil is introduced into the unit and vaporized as required.

Courtesy Durez Plastics & Chemicals, Inc.

Molded phenolic parts of humidifier are motor hood, motor mount, and center pan



Printed Panels Aid Salesmen

Illuminated panels of rigid vinyl sheets, heat formed over

original wood carvings, are central features of display unit

MANUFACTURERS have given increased attention in recent years to the development of functional point-of-sales demonstration units which augment the efforts of the salesman by dramatizing essential features of the product. Successful displays of this type must occupy minimum floor space and must have the power to attract the attention of prospective buyers.

Particularly interesting in their effective use of vinyl plastic are the new demonstration units designed and produced by W. L. Stensgaard & Associates, Inc., Chicago, Ill., for The Hoover Co. These units, made in both standard and de luxe models, were planned to assist retail salesmen in demonstrating features of Hoover tank type and upright model vacuum cleaners. They are now being introduced on an experimental basis in key cities throughout the country, but are not yet

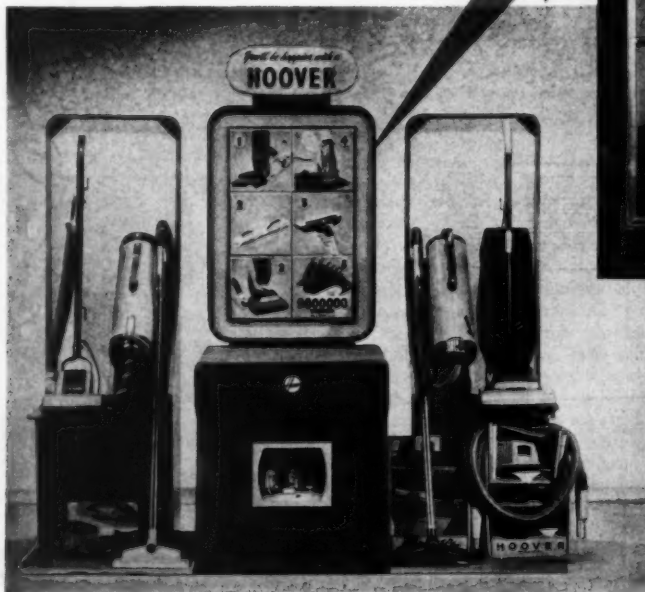
available for general distribution.

The standard unit is used in conjunction with one display including both types of cleaners, while the de luxe model, more lavishly finished, is used with two side units, each displaying two cleaners—one tank type and one upright. Both types permit considerable flexibility of arrangement to meet the space requirements of individual stores.

Highlight of the displays is a group of six backlighted vinyl panels showing important sales features of the cleaners. The panels, measuring approximately 10½ in. square and consisting of 60-mil rigid Vinyl-

ite sheet material, have silk screened illustrations in several colors. After the printing operation, they are formed to produce a third dimensional effect which greatly enhances attention and sales value.

Molds used in forming the plastic sheets after application of the illustrations and lettering are original wood carvings. The heated sheets are formed against a male die by means of air pressure; no female mold is required. Above the six sales feature panels is a similarly formed oblong panel carrying the statement, "You'll be happier with a Hoover."



Demonstration unit (left) highlights sales features by means of illuminated panels formed of rigid vinyl sheeting; panels, like one above, are three-dimensional, and are decorated with silk-screened colored illustrations



Interval timer has case, knob, and pre-set ring injection molded of styrene on 8-oz. Reed-Prentice press

Exposure timer and interval timer have two identical styrene parts—case and pre-set ring; hand knob differs



Timers for the Darkroom

Interval timers have smartly styled cases, setting knobs,

and rings molded of styrene for beauty and economy

TWO timing mechanisms for photographic darkroom use—an automatic exposure and an interval timer—are good examples of intelligent production economics on the part of the manufacturer, The FR Corp., New York, N.Y. Both timers have three plastics components, two of which—the case and pre-set ring—are identical in each. The third is a hand knob.

All three components are made of styrene, which resists the corrosive action of photographic chemicals. The styrene, supplied by Bakelite Co., is injection molded in an 8-oz. Reed-Prentice press. The case is produced in a 2-cavity, cam-actuated press; the knob in an 8-cavity die; and the ring in a 4-cavity die. Although the same case is used for both timers, it is made in grey for the exposure timer and in black for the interval indicator. Pre-set rings are clear styrene; knobs are red.

In the knob, the one component

that is different in both timers, the triangular arrow is wiped-in for the interval timer, and sprayed on for the exposure timer.

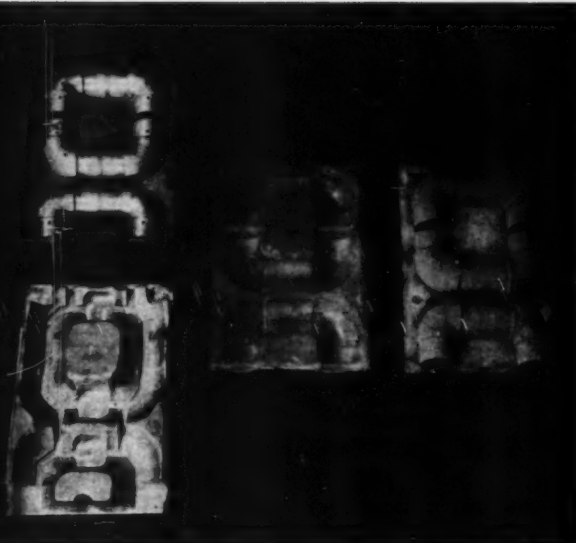
The exposure timer indicates intervals in seconds; the dial is marked from 1 to 50. It plugs into any AC receptacle, and operates to control the light in any enlarger or contact printer. After the desired number of seconds for the exposure has been completed, an automatic clock mechanism in the housing shuts off the light source.

New feature of this FR Timer is a pre-setting ring which can be set to any time interval up to 50 seconds. Then the knob is turned until the two arrows on the pre-setting ring and the knob coincide. The knob stops at this point. Turning the knob winds the timing mechanism but the latter does not start to run until a button on top of the case is pushed. This button is a safety control so that the enlarger or printer

can be checked after the timer has been set but before it starts to run. The same time interval can be repeated without resetting the ring by simply turning the knob and pushing the button.

Accuracy of the timer is within the latitude of photographic papers, with a possible variance under 5 percent. Its operation is not affected by variations in electrical current or temperature.

The FR Interval Timer has the same pre-set ring, which can be set for any time interval from 1 to 60 minutes. First the ring is set for the desired interval; then the knob is turned to that interval (it cannot go past the ring setting). The knob winds the timing mechanism in the case, which rings a bell when the desired interval has been completed. The same interval can be repeated any number of times without resetting the ring—an advantage when working in the dark.



Photos courtesy American Cyanamid Co.

(Left) Molds used to make core-drying trays. (Center) Reinforced plastic tray as it comes out of mold. (Right) Tray after sand core has been blown in

Catalyzed polyester resin and styrene-treated fibrous glass are alternately loaded in mold to build it up to desired thickness

Foundry Core Driers

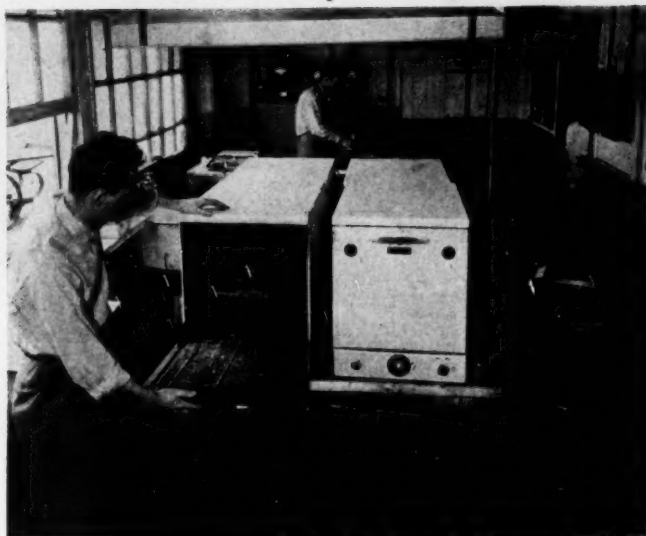
Simple equipment is used to produce reinforced plastic forms which permit electronic baking of sand-urea cores



Cavities of the cured drier are scraped with slintaper files to the required tolerances after burrs and irregularities have been sanded away with a garnet paper power wheel

THE ADOPTION of fibrous glass reinforced polyester resin for driers and coreboxes has greatly expanded the use of electronic baking of foundry cores made of sand and urea resin. Until recently, electronic baking was practical only if the cores were of relatively simple shape. This limitation resulted from the lack of a suitable material for the trays or driers used to support the cores passing through the oven.

Such driers must be made of a material which does not conduct high frequency current. This eliminates cast aluminum, which is used for driers in the conventional core drying operation. Various non-metallic materials can be used for electronic baking when only a flat plate is required to support the core. But most such materials could not be formed to the shapes required to support more intricate cores.



Assembled molds are weighted with 50- to 100-lb. iron blocks and then placed into ovens to cure. Ordinary household electric ranges can be used if mold is small enough

In addition to non-conductivity and formability, the material used for driers must be capable of withstanding the impact and abrasion of the blowing operation. At the blowing station, the sand and resin mixture is blown into a mold formed by the drier and a matching piece known as the corebox, which is fastened to the head of the core-blowing machine. This piece, too, is now being made of reinforced polyester.

The plastic driers and coreboxes now being used in some foundries are molded right on the premises with simple equipment. The molds are aluminum with a steel frame.

First step in the production of the driers is the application of a parting agent, Vejin, to the mold surface with a brush. The mold is then loaded with alternate layers of catalyzed Laminac resin and 1.5-oz. styrene-treated Fiberglas mat. The

assembled mold is weighted with 50- to 100-lb. iron blocks, placed in an oven, and cured at 325 to 350° F. for 30 to 45 minutes. If the mold is small enough, the oven of an ordinary electric range can be used.

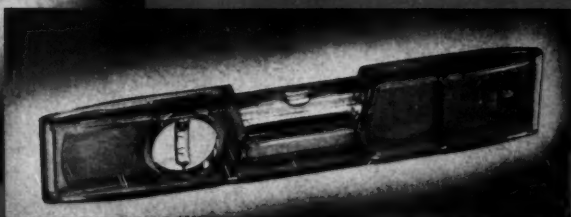
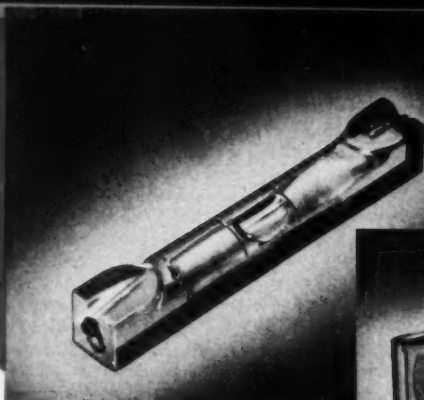
On the driers used for machine blowing, more than half the cost of the reinforced plastic part comes from the finishing operations required after molding. Burrs and irregularities are sanded away with a garnet paper power wheel. Then the cavities of the drier must be scraped to the proper dimensions with slimtaper files. This is necessary because variations in shrinkage and warpage during the molding process make it impossible at present to produce finished parts to the necessary tolerances.

Work is now being done to minimize the variations in shrinkage during the molding process so as to reduce finishing costs. Some foundries are considering molding the driers in hydraulic presses so as to make possible cycles of 3 to 4 min. instead of the present 30 to 45 minutes. The resultant economies might well justify the investment in presses.



Baked cores are carefully inspected as belt carries them out of electronic oven

Trays are taken from blow station and placed on a conveyor belt to the oven



Shatterproof level is made by molding glass bubble vial into a solid piece of acrylic. The acrylic protects the vial from shock and, at the same time, magnifies it. Visibility, particularly from below, is improved as compared with levels with opaque wood or metal bodies. Pocket line level is 3 in. long. Larger model, 9 in. long, has butyrate body with two acrylic-protected vials cemented in. Manufactured by Creative Plastics Corp., Stony Brook, N.Y.



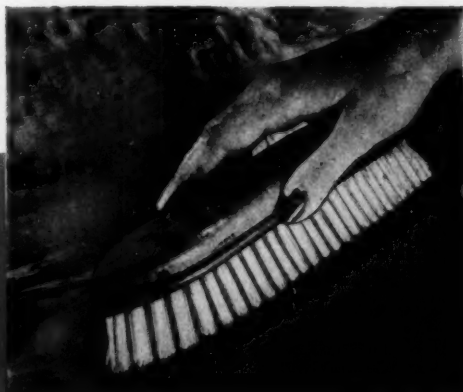
Hand puppets with realistic appearance and skin-like feel are slush molded of vinyl plastisol. Sixteen different types of hand puppets are made, including boxers, Alice in Wonderland, Bob Hope, and Howdy Doody characters. Doll puppets, including Alice, Goldilocks, and an Indian princess, have saran wigs which can be combed, washed, braided, or curled. Made by The Jay V. Zimmerman Co., 320 N. Leonard Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Permanently inflated Christmas tree ornaments are made of 8-gage vinyl film. Some of the colorful ornaments are oval or bell-shaped and have scenes or characters decorated on them. Others are made in shape of Santa, locomotive, angels, etc. All are light in weight, can be used as crib or tub toys. Made by Carson Corp., 250 N. Water St. Milwaukee, Wis.



PLASTICS

Scrub brush with extruded styrene bristles outlasts ordinary brush five to one. The plastic bristles stay stiff even when soaked, will not rot, will not mildew, and will not mat. They can also be cleaned by simply dipping in warm suds. The Bakelite styrene monofilament bristles are set in a 9 by 2½-in. honey maple block. Made by Empire Brushes, Inc., 200 William St., Port Chester, N. Y.

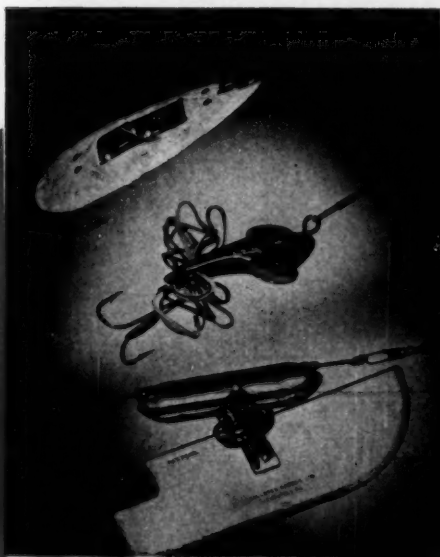




Dice game is housed in a styrene case with transparent top. The dice, fabricated of Catalin cast phenolic, are on a spring-driven turntable, and are tripped by lugs molded-in to the sides of the case. The case is molded by Jamison Plastic Corp., Freeport, N. Y., for the Keiler Corp., 723 Glenmore Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

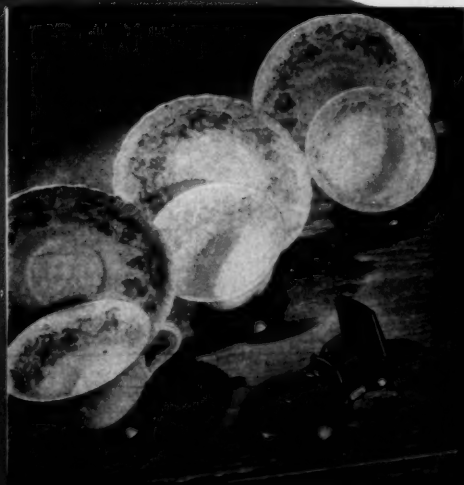
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Two versatile new fishing lures and an off side vane for trolling are molded of Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate. The transparent vane will hold line and bait as much as 27 ft. off side. The adjustable wing lure can also be set for use as surface or deep running bait. The other lure combines spoon and spinner action. Molded by Fer-Bar Plastics Co., 1020 Elk St., Franklin, Pa., for Challenge Tackle, Inc., 28 Arch St., Meadville, Pa.



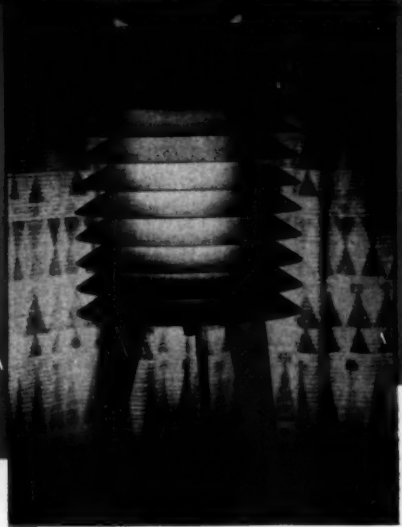
Inflatable hats called Loony Lids are made of 10 and 12-gage vinyl. The hats, which look like outlandish animal heads, fit snugly on a child's head and fasten under the chin. An elephant, horse, lion, and rooster are included in the line. All measure 28 by 14 in. when inflated and are decorated in bright colors. They can also be used as party hats for adults. Made by Ideal Toy Corp., 200 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Stand for cup and saucer displays fine china to best advantage. Saucer is held in upright position behind cup, which can be set in either of three positions: standing, lying on its side to show the interior, or tilted at an angle. The unobtrusive holder is molded of mahogany colored styrene. It is manufactured by Hold-Rite Co., 262 Briggs Bldg., Birmingham, Mich.





Outlet safety plate makes it impossible for children to insert objects in the outlet. Spring-actuated disk snaps to a closed position when plug is removed. Plug can be inserted by turning disk one quarter turn with prongs of the plug. Molded of white or ivory high impact styrene by Gits Molding Corp., 4600 West Huron St., Chicago, Ill.



Unusual modern desk lamp has eleven circular louvers molded of black phenolic. Suffused light from the 100-watt bulb makes the opaque louvers look transparent. The lamp is 6 in. in diameter and 13½ in. high and has aluminum legs. Available from Gottschalk Sales Co., 225 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

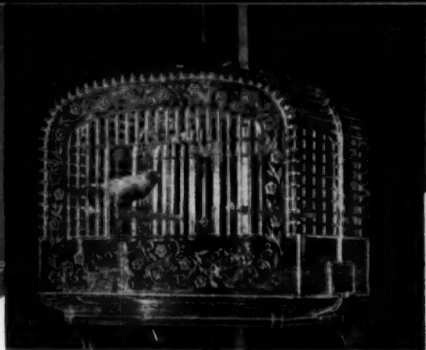


PLASTICS

Inflatable pillow that can be worn like a collar provides sleeping comfort for travellers or others who nap sitting up. The pillow is made of flexible laminated Vinylite film embossed with a taffeta texture. When deflated, the pillow folds to purse size. Available in clear or plaid material from Purofied Down Products Corp., 350 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Wallets made of 30-gage vinyl are decorated with two relief designs by new process which gives the designs solidity as well as relief. Instead of leaving the underside of the raised designs hollow, the process fills them with liquified vinyl material which is electronically solidified and bonded to the wallet. Thus the design does not flatten out if compressed and has a richer, solid feel. Manufactured by Eastern Leatherboard Plastics, Inc., 117 Astor St., Newark, N. J.





Easily washable, completely transparent bird cage is molded of Lustrex styrene. The cage and all its parts can be washed as easily as a dish, and there is no danger of rust or chipping. The bird is always in full view. The cage is 15 by 12 by 9 inches. Made by Bernard Edward Co., 5252 S. Kolmar Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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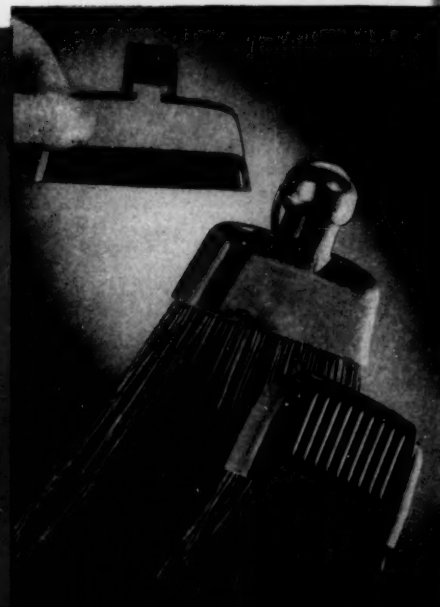


Chairs and sofa in American Informal Group are upholstered in Velon fabric. The Bamboo pattern material used is woven of 10-gage saran monofilaments and has a "furniture finish." It is softer, less glossy, and more flexible than the saran fabrics used for auto seat covers. Material is woven by Hafner Associates, Inc., 350 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y. The furniture is manufactured by Tomlinson, 305 West High St., High Point, N. C.

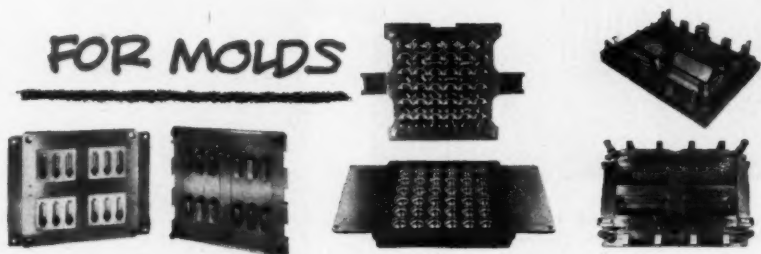
Children's auto seat is upholstered in Lumite woven saran fabric, the same material used widely for auto seat covers. The saran fabric is scuff-proof, long wearing, and easily washable. The seat, called the ComfySAFE, is made by Toidey Co., Fort Wayne, Ind.



Whisk brooms have durable heads molded of Tenite cellulose acetate. The heads are designed so that they serve to lock the straws in place. They are light in weight, colorful, and pleasant to the touch. The molded heads are made by Hagen-Jones Mfg. Co., Paris, Ill.



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New Machine With Screw Pre-Plasticizer

Screw-powered pre-plasticizer will also be available as conversion unit for other injection machines

NEWEST development of the Plastics Div., Jackson & Church Co., Saginaw, Mich., is a screw type 16-oz. horizontal injection press featuring J-C's Hendry pre-plasticizing process. This machine has recently been placed in operation in the Plastics Dept., Electric Auto-Lite Co., Bay City, Mich. At present the machine, on which Jackson & Church has a patent pending, is producing elastomeric vinyl nipples for automotive distributors in a 60-cavity mold operating on a 40-sec. cycle and running three 8-hr. shifts daily, five days a week.

Except for its pre-plasticizer assembly, which is mounted at right angles to the injection chamber, the machine is basically similar in appearance to standard horizontal types. However, the Hendry pre-plasticizing process uses no torpedo in the injection chamber, depending upon the pre-plasticizer to plasticize the material and transfer it to the chamber, ready to be injected into the mold.

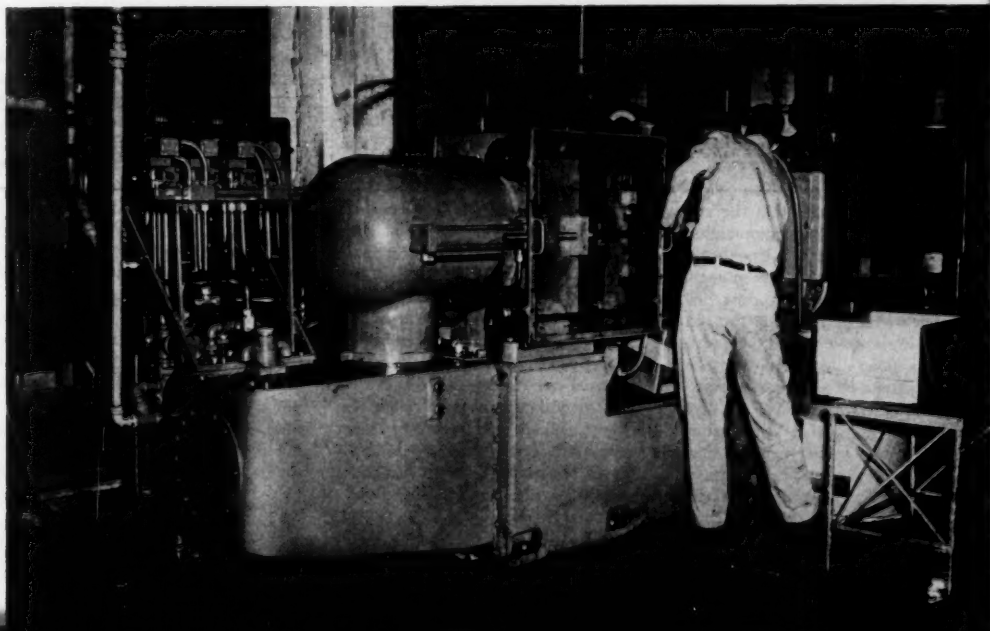
Variable Pitch Screw

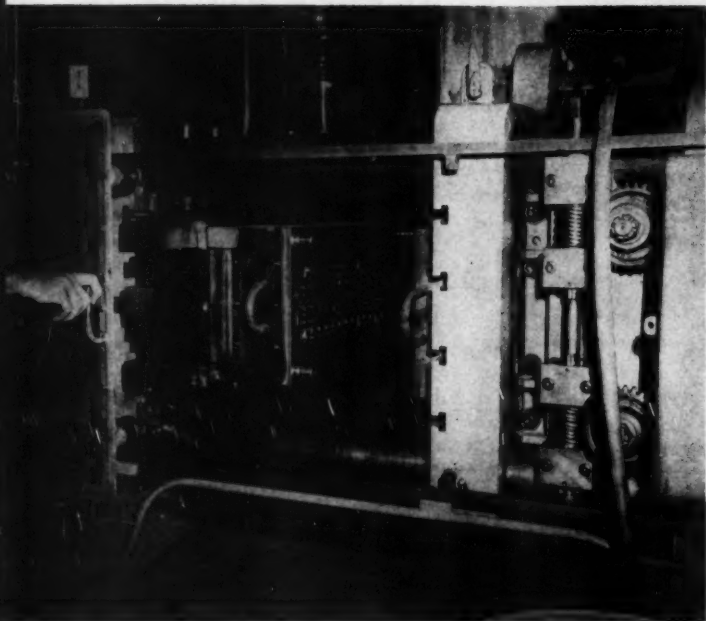
The design for the variable pitch screw used in the pre-plasticizer

was the outgrowth of extensive research and experimentation. Extending from the hopper to the injection chamber of the press, the screw operates at pre-adjusted speeds to mull the plastic material prior to injection. This results in thorough mixing and heating, permitting the material to be injected into the die at lower pressures and temperatures than those required in conventional injection machines.

The pre-plasticizing chamber, equipped with two independently controlled heating zones, makes the machine particularly suited to the

New 16-oz. injection machine in which the pre-plasticizer assembly is mounted at right angles to injection chamber. Controls on the left regulate the two temperature zones of the pre-plasticizer and also the single heat zone of the injection cylinder





Vinyl distributor nipples are produced in this 60-cavity die on new machine; mold automatically strips the complete molded shot off the cores as the die is opened

handling of flexible vinyl materials, producing molded parts of exceptional gloss and finish. The lower temperatures involved protect the material against decomposition and discoloration, while the vigorous mulling action insures complete plasticization and promotes the molding of uniform, strain-free parts. The pre-milling feature also permits the unit to be used for dry coloring of styrene and other thermoplastic materials, and is important in reducing molding cycles.

The extruder screw, designed for maximum mulling efficiency, is of the multi-stage type. The screw flights are so designed that the rate of feed is at maximum immediately below the material hopper; the flights are more closely spaced as the injection chamber is approached, thereby gradually reducing the volume of material handled per turn. Running along the entire length of the pre-plasticizer cylinder are electric strip heaters, divided into two individually controlled temperature zones. As the screw rotates, compressing and heating the plastic, it constantly brings new parts of the

material into contact with the heated cylinder wall. The frictional heat produced by the action of the screw augments that from the two 4-kw heaters, insuring complete and uniform plasticization.

Optimum Heat Absorbed

Since the screw is so designed that the material will absorb the optimum amount of frictional heat for the particular plastic being molded, the pre-mill unit is actually a constant viscosity rather than a constant temperature device. The injection chamber itself has one uniform heat zone, designed to maintain a holding heat for the pre-plasticized material. On the 16-oz. machine, this is obtained with strip heaters having a total capacity of 4-kw and independent temperature control.

In the conventional type injection machine, the injection chamber is theoretically divided into three principal zones. The first zone contains granulated material from the hopper which has not yet been heated, the second has a combination of plasticized and unplasticized material, while the third zone con-

tains fully plasticized material ready to be injected into the mold. When the injection ram operates, much of its energy is required to move the material in the first two zones of the chamber against the resistance of the torpedo and the side wall of the injection cylinder.

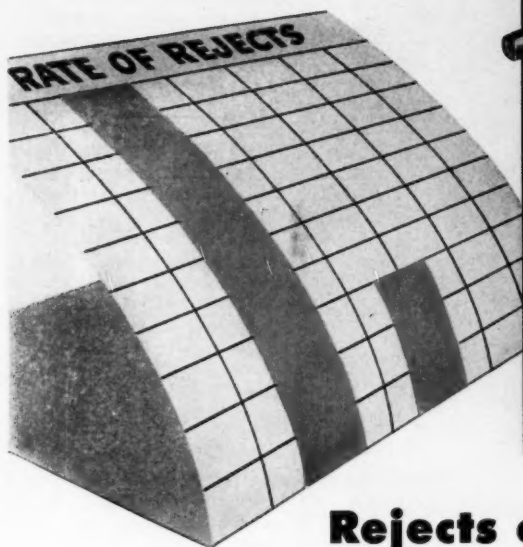
With the J-C machine, the unobstructed injection chamber is filled with completely plasticized material, and virtually the entire charge is injected at each shot. On 16-oz. machine, injection chamber holds about 17 oz., affording small over-capacity.

After leaving the pre-plasticizing screw and moving into the injection chamber, the viscous material is shot into the mold by a hydraulically operated injection ram. The 16-oz. machine has an injection cylinder 5 in. in diameter with an 8-in. stroke. Pressure exerted on the material in the injection chamber is 14,000 p.s.i., while the locking pressure on the clamp is 225 tons. The clamp cylinder is 17 in. in diameter and has a 14-in. stroke. Clamping of the mold is by straight hydraulic action, involving no toggle joints or levers.

Functions are Automatic

In starting the press, the die may be left open and the screw operated until the material has reached molding temperature, as determined by checking with a pyrometer as the material is forced out of the nozzle. Once the machine is in operation, all mechanical functions are automatic. Operation is actuated by a roller-mounted safety gate with acrylic panel, affording full visibility at all times. Centralized controls, located on the right side of the machine, are provided with a cover to be locked for safety during set-up operation.

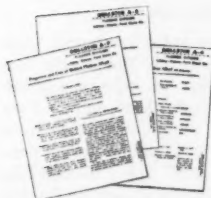
Delivery of the plastic material from the pre-plasticizer worm to the injection chamber is regulated by two limit switches. After the die is closed, there is a delay for clamp pressure buildup, then the ram injects the material into the mold and retracts. However, it does not retract fully, but only far enough to uncover an opening in the injection chamber through which material from the screw is delivered, at which point the first limit switch is actuated. Pressure is automatically taken off the injection ram and it remains at rest. Simultaneously, the belt-driven pre-plasticizer screw,



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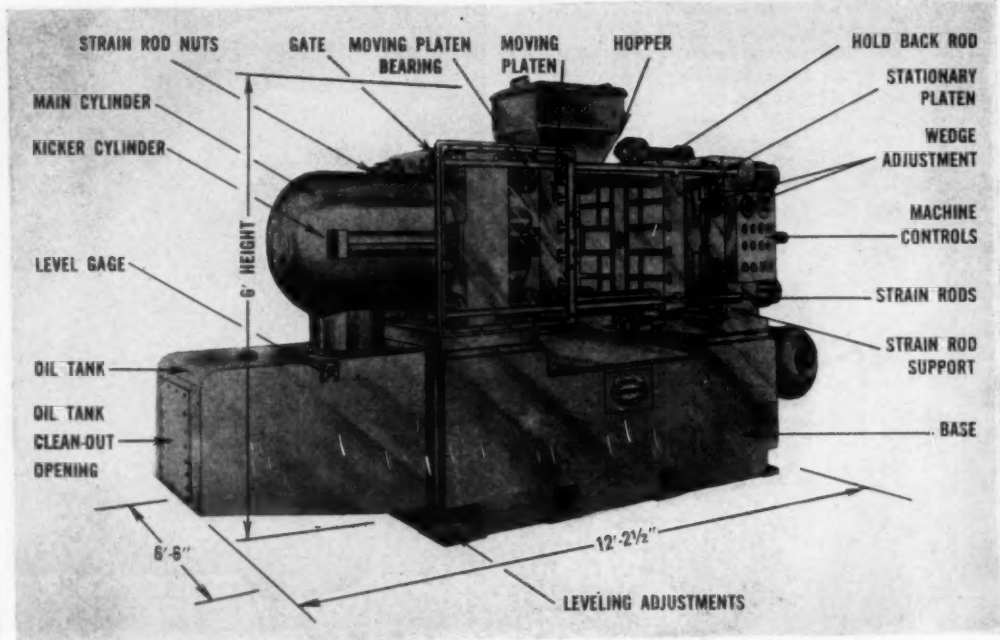
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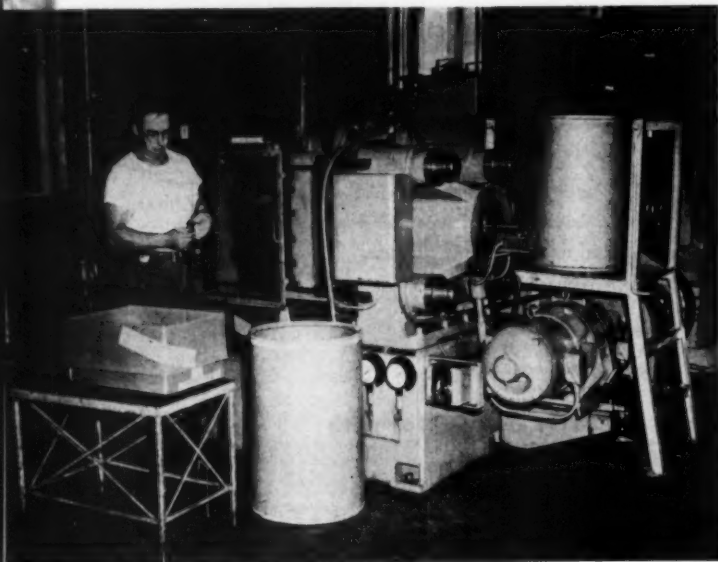
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Features and dimensions of the new 16-oz. pre-plasticizing injection molding machine. Cycle is actuated by the closing of acrylic safety gate and all mechanical functions are automatic; controls are centralized on the right for easy operation



Molded nipples are stripped by operator from sprues which are reground and used in molding of additional parts; roller-mounted safety gate is closed to start next cycle

powered by a 15 hp. motor, begins to operate. As the injection chamber fills with viscous material, the ram is pushed back until it energizes the second limit switch, stopping the screw. At this time pressure is trapped in the cylinder by a gate block at the nozzle of the machine, thereby eliminating any possibility of spill-over at the nozzle and introduction of vacuum bubbles in the injection chamber.

Automatic Operation

The system is fully automatic and self-compensating. The screw can operate during the hold time of the press, the opening time, and the time required to remove the parts from the press, providing the fastest possible cycle time. The chamber fills automatically; no timers or hopper feed settings are required to handle this phase of the operation.

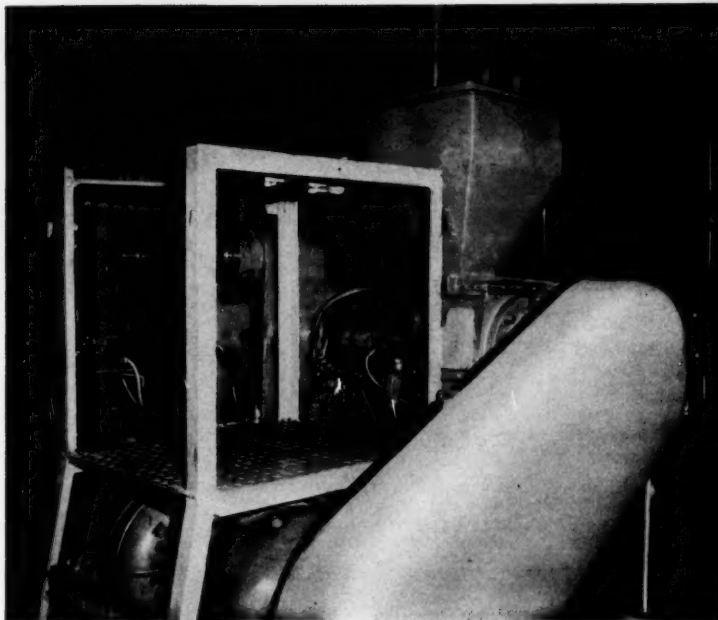
The extruder on the J-C machine is equipped with a variable speed drive to increase the adaptability of the machine to various molding materials. On the Auto-Lite vinyl job,

the screw runs at top speed while the press is operating.

The 60-cavity chrome plated die being run on Auto-Lite's 16-oz. machine produces a shot weighing 11 oz., including sprue and runners. When the machine was first installed, the cycle was run experimentally as fast as 28 sec., but this did not give the operator sufficient time to remove the sprue and degate the pieces between shots. The job is now normally run on a 40-sec. cycle, producing complete shots of excellent color and high gloss. Auto-Lite plastics officials attribute the results to the complete plasticization of the material and the relatively low molding temperature required. In running these parts previously on a conventional injection machine not equipped with J-C pre-plasticizing, and on the same cycle, Auto-Lite had difficulty getting complete shots and found it necessary to block off six or eight of the end cavities.

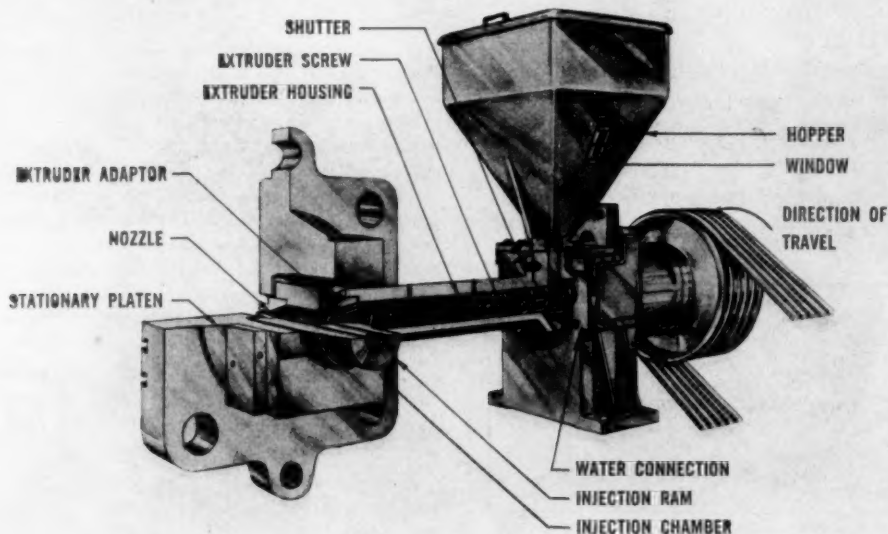
The material now being run on this job is black Vinylite No. 7734. Both virgin granules and reground sprue material are used without a noticeable difference in the appearance of the finished parts. The mold,

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Screw-type pre-plasticizer assembly just beneath hopper is powered by a motor under end of injection cylinder; housing on right shields the belts driving extruder unit

Screw, running from hopper to injection chamber of pre-plasticizing machine, operates at pre-adjusted speeds to mull the material prior to its being forced into injection chamber and shot from there into mold by means of a hydraulically operated injector ram





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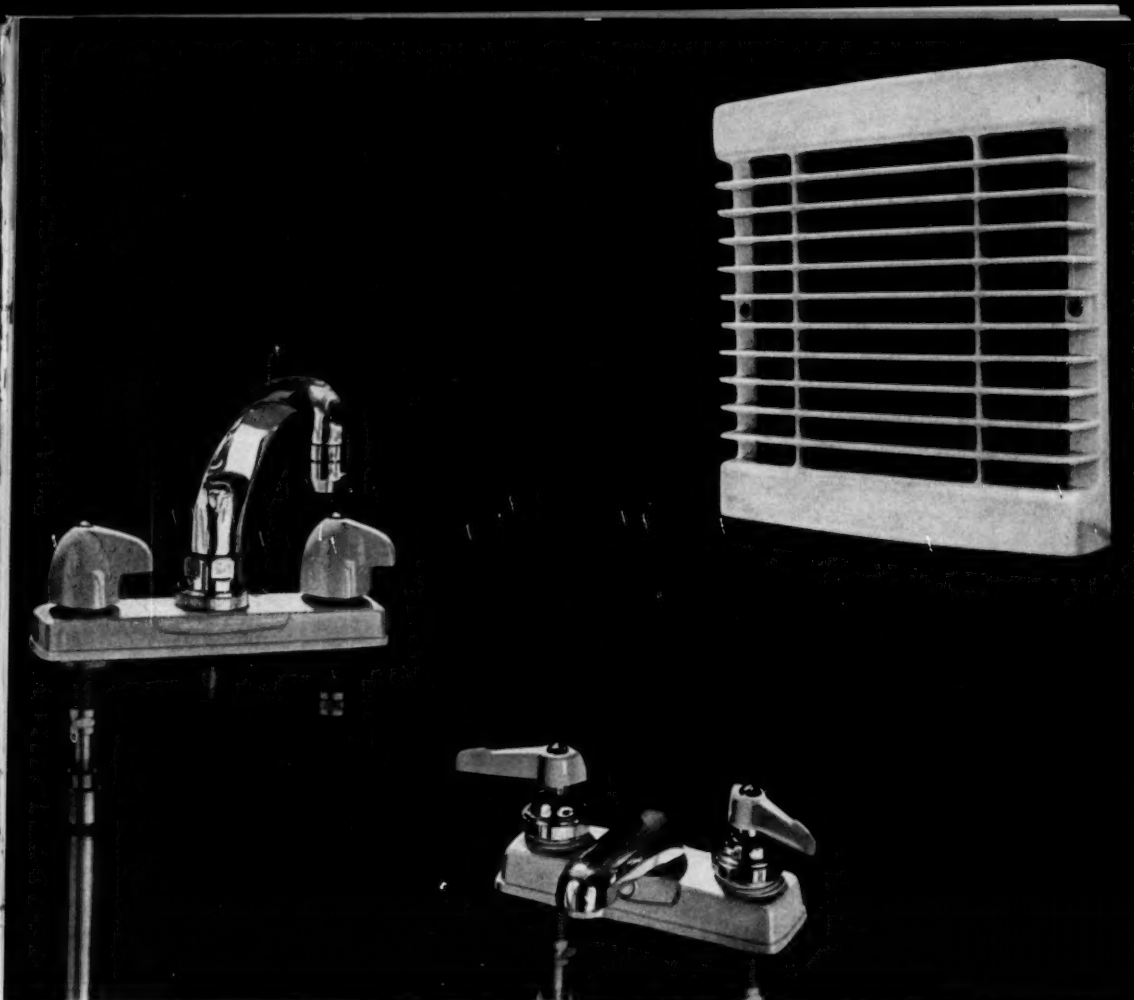
When the idea was still embryonic, Standard Oil realized that the reputation of the company would be riding on every tire equipped with a tiny red crown. Even if a valve cap has no effect on the quality of gasoline, customers are still going to be unhappy if the valve doesn't work properly... if the threads strip, if it fades, cracks or loses its shape.

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of modified stripper plate construction, causes the molded nipples to be lifted off the cores as the die opens. The operator catches the shot as it falls free of the mold and degates the nipples by peeling them from the sprue like grapes from their stems. The nipples are gated from two sides at the outer edge and stem from four primary runners. After degating, the sprues are tossed into a drum to be later reground and fed back into machine. Molded pieces require no finishing operations.

It is possible that Auto-Lite may eventually use a dry elastomeric vinyl premix instead of molding granules for this job, but no arrangement has yet been made for a material changeover. Whether material in this form is available in commercial quantities will largely determine whether such a program is adopted. Due to its mulling action, the J-C machine can easily handle the dry type of premix material.

Zone Temperatures

In running the distributor nipple job, Auto-Lite maintains a temperature of about 245° F. on both

heater zones of the pre-plasticizer and the same temperature on the injection chamber. A steam connection on the cavity maintains a temperature of 135° F. on the front half of the mold, while water is used to hold the temperature of the male die at 100° F. A pyrometer hookup provides a direct temperature reading on the front half of the mold. Temperature controls used on the preheater and the injection chamber are of the Electromax type, produced by Leeds & Northrup Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Before being installed by Auto-Lite, the J-C machine turned out some test shots of elastomeric vinyl vacuum cleaner parts being used by The Hoover Co. On a molded hose grip produced in a 4-cavity die, a cycle of 45 sec. was obtained. This compares to a normal cycle of 2 min. on a conventional type of injection machine. Other materials were also molded with excellent results. One shot run experimentally was a rectangular radio dial crystal, made in a 4-cavity die. In producing this part, clear styrene molding material was first combined with red

dry colorant and given a preliminary mix by rolling the drum of material along the floor. Due to the thorough mixing and compounding action of the pre-plasticizer, the molded parts showed excellent and uniform dispersion of the red color.

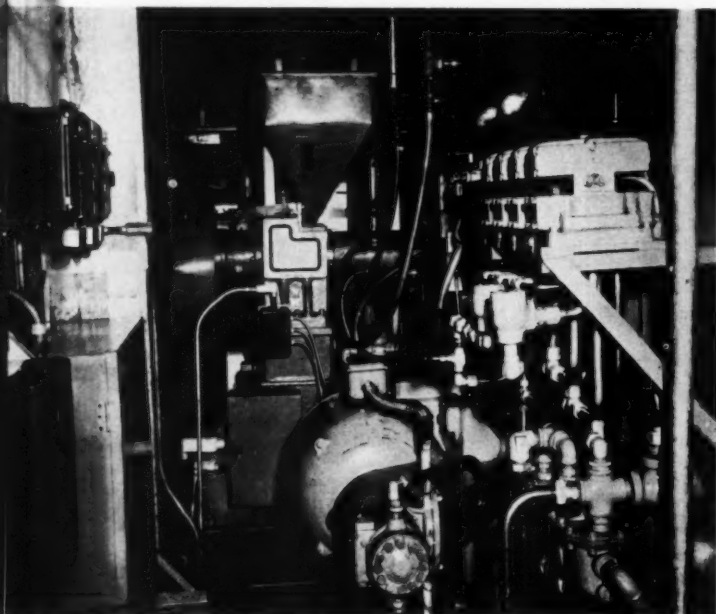
Capacity

The J-C 16-oz. machine plasticizes 180 lb. of styrene per hour, and the rating on the machine is 16 oz. of polystyrene.

Pumps used on the machine were supplied by Vickers, Inc., Detroit, Mich., and are used in conjunction with hydraulic valves from the same manufacturer. On this 16-oz. machine, the large volume pump is of 21 gal. capacity and the small volume pump is a 3 gal. unit. The two timers which regulate the overall time cycle and the injection cycle are made by Eagle Signal Corp., Moline, Ill. The hydraulic system is equipped with a Harrison oil cooler. Pump motor is of 30 hp. rating. Platen size of the 16-oz. machine is 29-in. square. The screw of the pre-plasticizer unit is of stainless steel with Stellite lands. Tool steel, flash chromed, is used on extruder housing, Stellite on ram and chamber.

The complete screw and drive assembly of the machine is attached by six easily accessible bolts. The injection ram and cylinder can be reached by removing six bolts and two pipe connections. The stationary platen is operated by hydraulic cylinder for ready access to the injection chamber and nozzle. With the nozzle and ram removed, the injection chamber can readily be cleaned. Hydraulic pumps, valves, and pipe lines are open and accessible. Manhole covers enclose the sump and the surge valve mounted inside the tank.

The screw-powered pre-plasticizer assembly is to be made available as a conversion unit for application to other types of molding machines. The effect of such installations would be to shorten molding cycles, provide improved strain-free parts, and enable the machine to be used for dry coloring or for running pre-blends. In adapting the unit to a conventional horizontal injection machine, the regular injection chamber would be removed and replaced with a new chamber of the type used in conjunction with J-C pre-plasticizer assembly.



Material is fed directly from hopper to pre-plasticizer unit; frictional heat produced by extruding screw augments that from the heaters to insure complete pre-plasticization

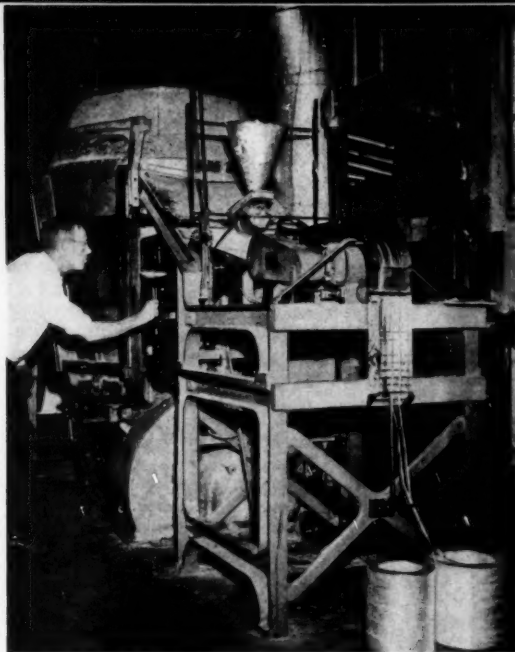


Fig. 1—Fiberglass yarn (lower right) is drawn from coils into chopper, cut into 2-in. fiber lengths, and sucked into preform chamber (left)

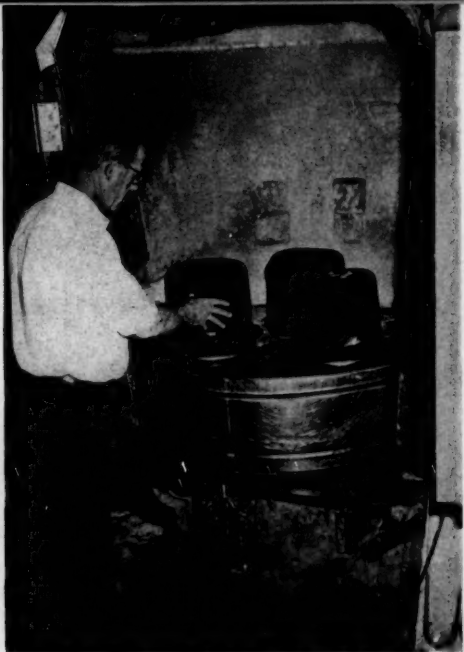


Fig. 2—Forming molds are placed over vacuum exhaust ports on turntable in preform chamber; exhaust fan draws fibers to molds

Lighter than Steel

Reinforced plastic dust bowl for vacuum cleaner will compete price-wise with metal when surface-finish problems are solved

STRINGENT Government controls of most metals have been the direct cause for the redesign of hundreds of products to take advantage of the many excellent properties of plastics. The same thing happened during World War II but, to the sorrow of the plastics industry, so many applications were so poorly redesigned, or not redesigned at all, that many failures resulted. The lessons were expensive, learned the hard way, but are now paying off.

Most major metal-to-plastics change-overs today are being realistically re-engineered so that the new plastic parts can be manufactured efficiently and will function properly in their designed use.

One such experience was detailed on p. 103 of the October 1951 issue

of **MODERN PLASTICS**. Here it was shown how and why 16 parts of the Lewyt vacuum cleaner, formerly made of steel, aluminum, zinc, or rubber, have been changed to plastics. Some parts cost more money—some less—but in every case the plastic replacement is doing an equal or better job.

The largest of the redesigned parts—the dust bowl for the cleaner—is now being made of polyester resin reinforced with fibrous glass. The plastic part costs more than when made in metal, but it is 75% lighter, which is an important factor in this type of vacuum cleaner.

Preform Machine

Looming large in the success of producing this dust bowl is a preform machine developed by Turner Machine Co., Inc., Danbury, Conn. This machine is composed of two main parts. One is a special variable speed cutter which chops Fiberglas yarn or rovings into exact lengths, the length being determined by the requirements of the piece to be pro-

Fig. 3—After preforms have been made, each is sprayed with 2 to 5% by weight of a Plaskon resin emulsion while still on the rotating turntable

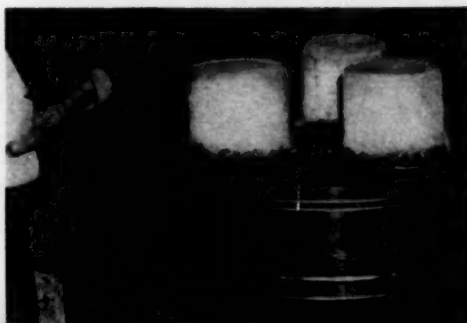


Fig. 4—Preforms are taken from plenum chamber and placed in recirculating oven where air at 300 to 350° F. is pulled through to reduce bulk and cure the binder

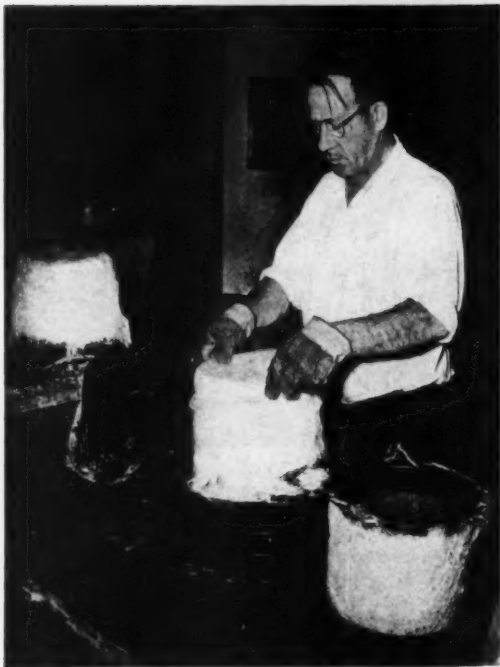


Fig. 5—Operator removes the preform from the forming mold preparatory to performing the molding operations

Fig. 6—Preform is carefully weighed to check whether correct amount of glass fibers has been deposited



duced. The second is a plenum chamber to which the chopped lengths are fed. This plenum chamber is an enclosed conical unit with two access doors in its side and a tiltable turntable in its base. This turntable is equipped to hold one or more preform screens, as demanded by the job in hand. For the Lewyt project, three screens are used.

This preform machine is designed so that the chopped yarn or rovings are drawn into the plenum chamber by the action of a suction fan. If desired, a powdered resin may be fed automatically into the air stream. In the case of the Lewyt dust bowl, however, the molder, Auburn Button Works, Inc., Auburn, N.Y., decided to produce an un-impregnated preform.

Figure 1 illustrates the general setup, with lengths of Fiberglas yarn being drawn from coils into the chopper. The plenum chamber is in the background. Three forming molds, made of 16-gage steel with $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. diameter holes spaced to provide 40% open area, are placed over vacuum exhaust ports on the turntable, as shown in Fig. 2. After the access doors have been closed, an automatic timer which controls both the suction fan and the chopper is set for 45 sec., and the speed of the chopper is set so that the fibers run through it at a rate of about 2 lb. per minute. At the end of the 45-sec. cycle, the machine is automatically stopped. The access doors are then opened and each preform is sprayed with 2 to 5% by weight of a Plaskon resin bonding emulsion while the preforms and forming molds are still in place. This operation is simplified by rotating the turntable during spraying (Fig. 3).

The preforms, still on the forming molds, are then removed from the plenum chamber (Fig. 4) and

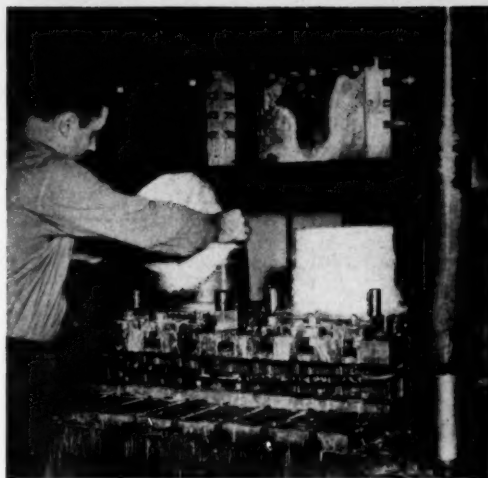


Fig. 7—Placing preforms on force plugs of two-cavity mold; both the plugs and the cavities of the mold are cored for circulating steam



Fig. 8—Charge of liquid resin being poured from a container onto the top of the preform; the mold is then closed for required cure time

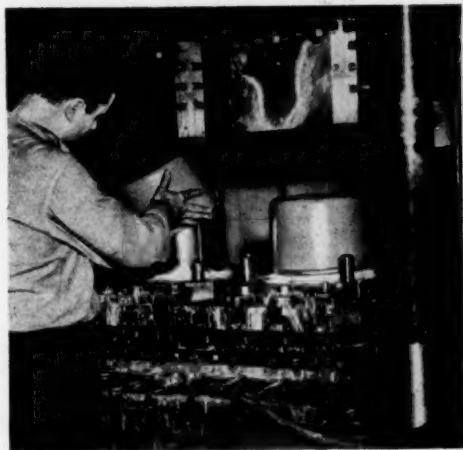
are placed in a re-circulating Lanly drying oven, especially designed to Auburn Button Works' specifications. This oven is equipped with three vacuum ports, over which the preforms and their forming molds are placed. The suction blower with which this oven is equipped is then turned on, and heated air is drawn through the glass fibers to set up the bonding emulsion so that the preform will hold its shape after it is removed from the forming mold. This latter operation requires only a 45-sec. cycle. Figure 5 shows the operator removing a preform from the forming mold, after which it is accurately weighed to be sure that the correct amount of glass fibers have been deposited (Fig. 6).

Steel Molds Used

Although cast aluminum matched molds are frequently used in this type of molding, Auburn decided that the production requirements on the Lewyt job made it mandatory to produce steel molds which would definitely stand up over a long run. Both the force plugs and cavities of this two-cavity mold (Fig. 7) are cored for circulating steam, and they are operated at a temperature between 230 and 260° F.

After the preforms have been removed from the forming molds, they are slipped over the force plugs (Fig. 7), and a measured quantity of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.'s Selectron resin is poured from a container onto the top of the preform (Fig. 8). The mold is then

Fig. 9—Operator removes the molded part from the force plugs after they have been partially ejected by air



closed for the required cure time and the design of the mold causes the resin to flow uniformly into and impregnate the preform. A pressure of approximately 100 p.s.i. on the molding area produces a smooth and uniform finish. In Fig. 9 the operator is taking the molded parts off the force plugs after they have been partially ejected by air.

It is then necessary to punch one large side hole and eight small attachment holes in the walls of the molded bowl. This is done in one operation with a side-draw die.

No further operations are performed by the molder; however, a special baked-on finish is applied to the bowl by Lewyt.

At the moment, the only reason

why Lewyt is not convinced that this polyester-glass bowl will permanently replace the steel bowl when steel is once more readily available, is that the price of the finished plastic bowl is considerably higher. In an effort to change this price differential, Auburn is endeavoring to produce a molded finish which will be satisfactory to Lewyt and which will eliminate the costly painting operation. This, according to an executive of Auburn, should bring the total price of the plastic bowl within the range of the steel bowl. When this problem is solved, a plastic which has already proved its over-all superiority will also find another place for itself in the picture of industrial economy.



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Low Temperature Behavior of Plastics†

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When exposed to low temperatures, organic plastics undergo changes which may be classified broadly as reversible and irreversible. Reversible effects usually include dimensional changes due to thermal contraction and loss of moisture, increased modulus of elasticity, increased yield and ultimate strengths, decreased ductility, and—most frequently, though not in every case—decreased resistance to impact. Irreversible effects may include dimensional changes due to change of state, physical failure due to lack of sufficient ductility to respond to dimensional changes, crystallization, and freezing of plasticizers or absorbed water. In either classification, extent and rapidity of every effect varies greatly, depending upon specific environmental conditions and the particular material involved.

Data are presented to illustrate these various effects. Significance from a practical point of view is shown by typical examples. Also, the importance of correct design of parts is emphasized. The paucity of data at low temperatures for such properties as fatigue strength, stress endurance, and electrical constants is pointed out.

PLASTICS and other engineering materials were, for many years, incorporated into equipment design largely upon the basis of a limited empirical knowledge of the materials' behavior at the temperatures encountered in the normal useful life of the finished part. That such knowledge included almost nothing relative to behavior at low temperatures constituted little of a handicap, since only rarely was equipment expected to operate under such conditions. But as our civilization grew more technologically complicated, this situation changed. Automobiles were expected to function satisfac-

torily throughout the year, no longer spending the winter on blocks in the garage, protected from the cold and snow. Communications equipment, likewise, was required to operate under all types of adverse conditions. Design of this type of equipment stressed proper functioning under such conditions, for the value of a communications system was and is measured by its performance during emergencies. High altitude flying has further stimulated investigation of low temperature behavior of plastics and other engineering materials, for it has introduced as important, the atmospheric conditions of the stratosphere, with its intense, dry cold (-80°F.) which is to be encountered but an hour or less from any spot on earth. World War II did much to accelerate progress in the designing of equipment which would operate reliably at low temperatures

and the obtaining of data on properties of engineering materials under such conditions. Military planning continues to emphasize the importance of gaining a more complete knowledge of the physical properties of plastics and other materials of engineering at low temperatures.

Exposure to low temperatures produces changes in the properties of plastic materials which may be temporary (reversible) or permanent (irreversible). Typical of the former are dimensional changes, changes in strength characteristics, changes in electrical properties, and changes in basic physical constants. Permanent changes include crystallization, crazing, cracking, and warping or buckling. Whether or not such permanent damage occurs may be influenced largely by the design of the component and by the manner of fabrication.

Dimensional Changes

Dimensional changes in plastics exposed to low temperatures may be due only to thermal contraction. But in many cases shrinkage due to loss of moisture content may occur. Organic plastics generally show larger changes in dimensions with changes in temperature (Fig. 1) than do the majority of the materials of engineering. This may lead to little or no difficulty when the object is of plastic throughout. However, combinations of plastics with metals must be properly engineered to compensate for the differences in thermal contraction properties of the two materials. The thermal coeffi-

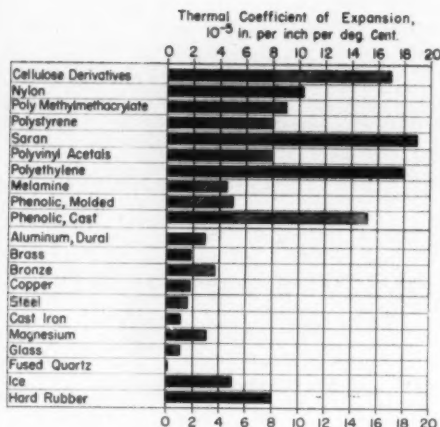
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cient of contraction of a plastic may provide an index of the precision that can be attained in molded parts; that is, the lower the mold shrinkage due to thermal contraction, the sharper the mold impression.

The linear shrinkage of a number of plastic sheets due to thermal contraction is illustrated by examples in Table I. Similar data for molded plastics are presented in Table II. It will be noted that among the thermoplastic materials polystyrene possesses a very low coefficient of thermal contraction. This property, together with excellent dimensional stability, makes this polymer particularly well suited to low temperature applications. Polymethyl methacrylate behaves nearly as well. The thermosetting compounds have coefficients approximating those for metals, which accounts for the numerous satisfactory applications of these materials in combination with metals.

The relationship between temperature and linear coefficient of expansion for polyethylene resin (18)¹ is shown in Fig. 2. The discontinuity observed at approximately 110° C. is due to a first order thermodynamic transition from the crystalline to the amorphous state. Relative volume as a function of temperature is shown for several thermoplastic materials in the curves of Figs. 3 and 4 (39). Of particular interest here are the apparent second order transition temperatures obtained by extrapolation of the linear portions of the curves to the point of intersec-

tion. The word "apparent" is here prefixed to indicate that this is not a true thermodynamic phenomenon (26). For the materials shown, this temperature is not in the range of low temperatures under consideration in this presentation. However, it does assume primary importance for certain materials which undergo this type of phase transition at lower temperatures. This will be recognized when it is pointed out that polymeric materials behave as rigid substances below this transition and as rubber-like materials above. Other physical properties than volume can be measured as a function of temperature to establish this point.

In any discussion of the low temperature behavior of plastic materials, the importance of equilibrium moisture content must not be overlooked. It is recognized that moisture acts as a plasticizer for many materials, the degree of plasticization depending upon the chemical nature of the plastic. Thus, the celluloses exhibit equilibrium moisture contents considerably higher than the phenolics. The relationship between

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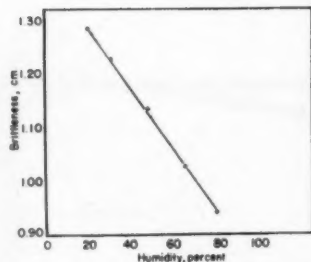
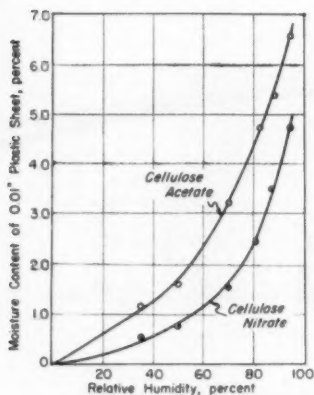


Fig. 5 (left)—Effect of ambient humidity on water content of cellulose acetate and nitrate sheets. Fig. 6 (above)—Effect of humidity on brittleness of cellulose acetate sheeting, 0.010-in. thickness

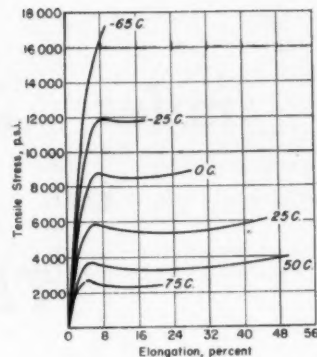


Fig. 7—Stress-strain curves for cellulose nitrate sheet (0.125-in. sheet, 0.2 in. per min. 0 percent relative humidity)

is plotted in Fig. 6. In general, the equilibrium moisture content for organic plastics shows a tendency to decrease as the temperature is lowered. This decrease in equilibrium moisture content is reflected in a decrease in the toughness of the material, an important factor in design considerations for low-temperature applications. Dimensional changes with changing moisture content may

Table III.—Changes in Phenolic Laminates Between Wet and Dry Conditions

Laminate fabric	Weight loss	Dimensional changes			
		Length	Width	Thickness	
	%	%	%	%	
Cotton	5.3	0.35	0.6	1.3	
Arbestos	3.2	0.15	0.2	0.7	
Glass	1.8	0.12	0.2	0.7	

be appreciable even for thermosetting plastics, as is shown by the data in Table III (28).

Strength Characteristics

The relationship of the mechanical properties of plastics with temperature has been the subject of many investigations. Much of this work has been summarized by Carswell and Nason (6). One of the most useful tools of the physicist and engineer in the evaluation and application of plastic materials is the stress-strain curve. The characteristics of the curves obtained enable one to classify plastics into a few well-defined groups. It is important to note that such a classification must be based on data obtained at some reference

temperature and humidity. This is well illustrated by the curves appearing in Figs. 7 (13) and 8 (29). A comparison of the stress-strain curves at 25° C. for cellulose nitrate and polystyrene shows that the nitrate can be classified as a soft-tough plastic and the polystyrene as hard-brittle. If, however, the trend with temperature is investigated, it will be noted that the cellulose nitrate behaves as a soft-weak material at 75° C., a soft-tough material at 25° C., and as a hard-brittle ma-

terial at -65° C. from the linear portion of the stress-strain curve and it is a measure of the stiffness or flexibility of the material. Tensile, flexural, and compressive moduli for cellulose nitrate sheet show a marked increase with decreasing temperature (Fig. 9) (13). Other plastics exhibit similar behavior.

Next in line on the stress-strain curve is the yield point, a value which is probably more indicative of

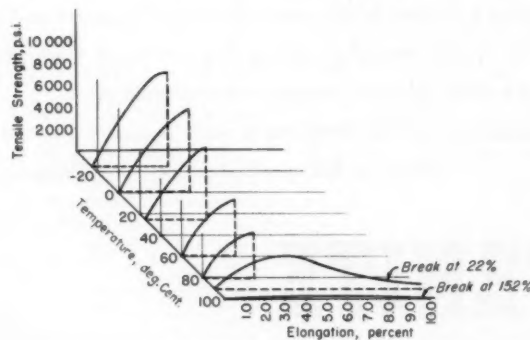


Fig. 8—Stress-strain curves for injection-molded polystyrene

terial at -65° C. While these classifications are necessarily broad, it is important to note that polystyrene behaves in a similar fashion but at a higher range of temperatures.

Stress-Strain Relationships

Consideration will now be given to the effect of lowering the temperature on the various portions of the stress-strain curve. The first of these, elastic modulus, is derived

the useful strength of a ductile plastic than the ultimate strength. The effect of lowering the temperature of the yield stress value for cellulose acetate sheet is shown in Fig. 10 (13). Similar data for various cellulose acetate molding powder formulations are given in Fig. 11 (6, 38). These data seem to indicate that below 0° C. the yield stress increases at a slower rate or even (Continued on p. 134)

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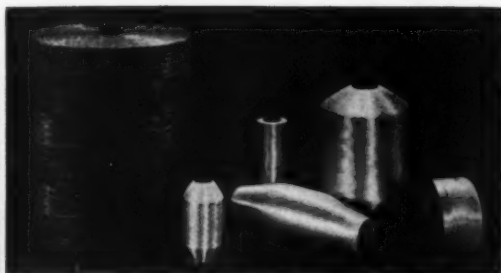


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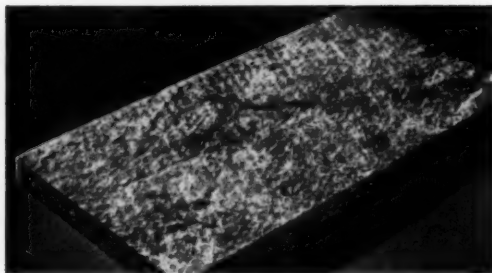


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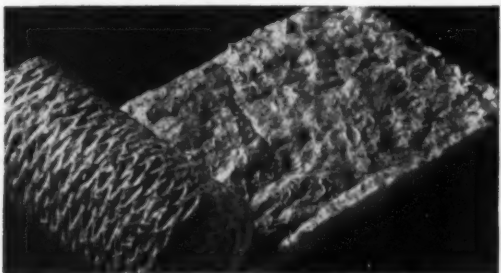
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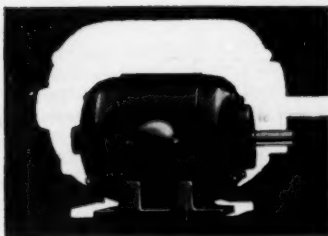
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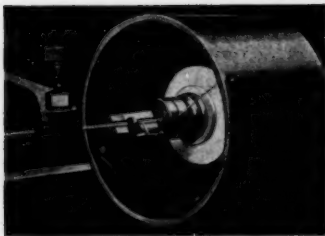
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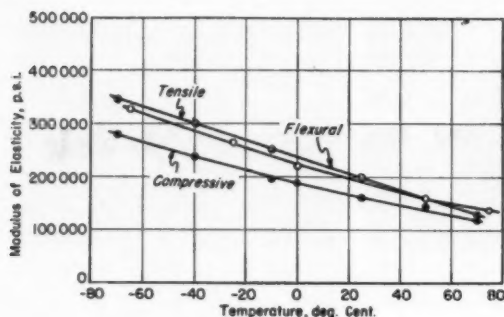


Fig. 9—Effect of temperature on modulus of elasticity of cellulose nitrate sheet (0.125-in. sheet, 0.2 in. per min. 0 percent relative humidity)

decreases; the effect may be due to decreasing ductility and increasing

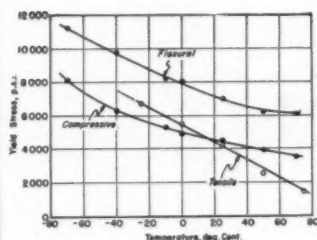


Fig. 10—Effect of temperature on yield stress of cellulose acetate sheet (0.125-in. sheet, 0.2 in. per min. 0 percent relative humidity)

brittleness at these lower temperatures.

The less ductile materials, such as polystyrene, polymethyl methacrylate (unplasticized) and the phenolics, usually fail before a yield point is reached. Hence, for these

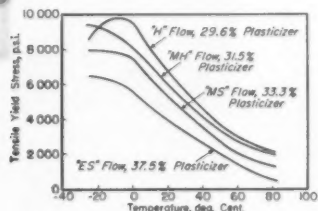


Fig. 11—Effect of temperature on yield stress of molded cellulose acetate

materials the third point on the stress-strain curve is of importance, namely, ultimate strength. Lowering the temperature gives rise to an

increase in ultimate strength for essentially all polymeric materials. Reference to Fig. 12 (13) and Fig. 13 (6) shows this to be the case. The ultimate strength values for thermosetting compounds are generally less affected by lowering the temperature than are those for thermoplastic materials.

The effect of relative humidity on ultimate strength and elongation at failure is shown in Fig. 14 (13) for cellulose acetate and nitrate sheet stock. These data are presented here to emphasize that temperature alone is not responsible for the effects observed. This, of course, is particularly true for the cellulose and other moisture sensitive plastics.

Plastics are not unique in their sensitivity to environment. Materials

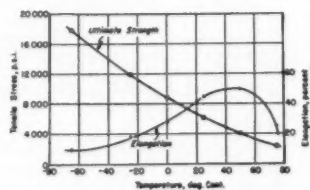
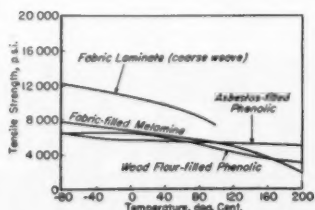


Fig. 12 (above)—Effect of temperature on tensile strength and ultimate elongation of cellulose nitrate sheet (0.125-in. sheet, 0.2 in. per min. 0 percent relative humidity). Fig. 13 (below)—Effect of temperature on tensile strength of several thermosetting plastics



of construction, whether organic or inorganic, synthetic or natural, show similar behavior under changing environmental conditions. Thus, in Fig. 15 it will be noted that the ultimate strength for steel increases rapidly as the temperature is lowered, until a phase transition is reached, and slowly thereafter. Elongation behavior is inverse to that of strength.

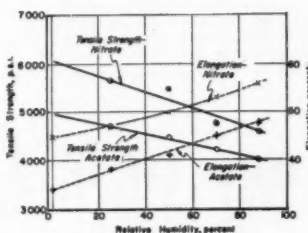
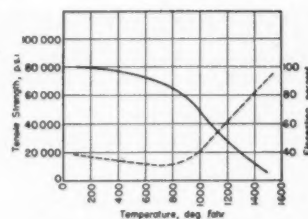


Fig. 14 (above)—Effect of relative humidity on tensile strength and elongation of cellulose acetate sheet (0.125-in. sheet, 25° C.). Fig. 15 (below)—Effect of temperature on tensile properties of steel



Compressive and flexural ultimate strengths for several plastic materials as related to temperature are given in Figs. 16 and 17 (6). The effect of temperature on shear strength is shown in Fig. 18 (13) and Fig. 19 (6).

From pure strength considerations, it would seem at first that the designer need not be concerned about the suitability of plastics for low-temperature applications in that the strength increases as the temperature is lowered. The foregoing would certainly be the case if shock or impact loading were not so frequently encountered. Consequently, the properties of a plastic material which determine its toughness are of utmost importance. In general, the area under the stress-strain

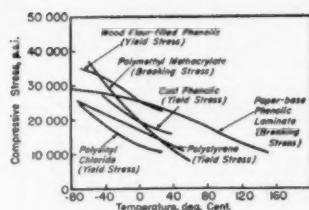
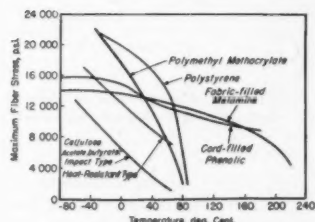
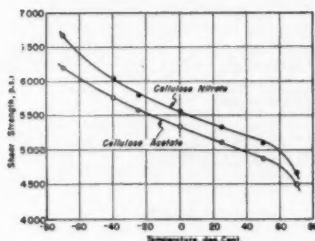


Fig. 16 (above)—Effect of temperature on the compressive strengths of several plastics. Fig. 17 (below)—Effect of temperature on the flexural strength of several plastics

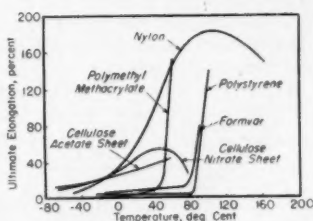


curve is a measure of the toughness of a plastic material. This may be carried one step further and elongation or deflection used in even a more qualitative manner to estimate this property. The curves of Fig. 20 (6), which relate ultimate elongation to temperature, show that at 0° C. nylon might be expected to exhibit a higher order of toughness than polystyrene.



The Izod impact test currently is the most widely used method for evaluating the toughness of plastic materials. From a theoretical standpoint, the method is subject to several errors (36). However, it does provide useful, practical, albeit highly qualitative, information. The effect of temperature on the Izod impact strength of a number of thermoplastic materials is shown in Figs. 21 and 22 (6). It is interesting to note that the impact strengths of polystyrene and polymethyl methacrylate are but little affected by lowering the temperature. Impact strength versus temperature curves for thermosetting materials are given in Fig. 23 (6).

The effect of moisture content on the impact strength of cellulose acetate molding compounds of varying plasticizer content is shown in Fig. 24 (6). It has been pointed out that



ties of elastomeric materials is the so-called "stifflex" range, or the range of temperature in which the material retains suitable stiffness properties. Data on stiffness as a function of temperature for several rubber and synthetic elastomeric compounds are given in Fig. 26 (6). The natural rubber gum stock exhibits the most uniform stiffness properties between 0° and -45° C. It increases in stiffness at a rapid rate, this latter behavior being a factor that would definitely limit the rubber's usefulness in that region. The stiffness versus temperature properties of elastomeric materials can be altered within limits by varying the type and amount of plasticizer incorporated. This is illustrated by

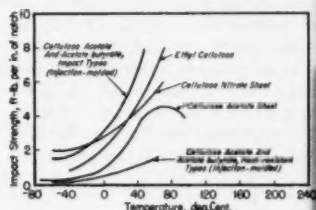


Fig. 21—Effect of temperature on the Izod impact strength of several plastics

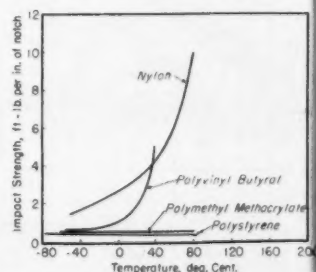


Fig. 22 (above)—Effect of temperature on Izod impact strength of several plastics. Fig. 23 (below)—Effect of temperature on Izod impact strength of several thermosetting plastics

Fig. 18 (above)—Effect of temperature on shear strength of cellulose acetate and nitrate sheets. Fig. 19 (below)—Effect of ambient temperature on shear strength of some plastics

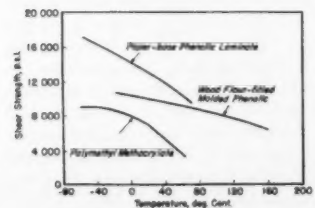


Fig. 20—Effect of temperature on the ultimate elongation of several thermoplastics

temperature and humidity must be considered together when cellulosic plastics are to be used in a low-temperature application.

Low temperature effects are not peculiar to plastic materials. The effect of lowering the temperature on the impact strength of a typical steel is shown in Fig. 25 (10). It will be noted that the toughness properties of this particular steel change more rapidly with temperature than do those of most polymeric materials.

Elastomeric Properties — The retention of rubberlike properties over a rather wide range of temperatures is a much sought after behavior in a group of materials generally classed as elastomeric. Included in this classification are the natural and synthetic rubbers, polyvinyl chloride, polyvinyl chloride-acetate copolymers, and others.

One of the more important proper-

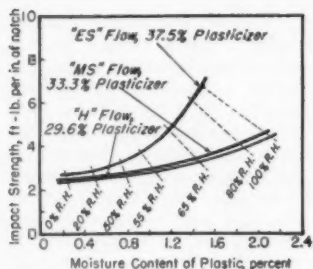


Fig. 24—Effect of moisture on the Izod impact strength of cellulose acetate at 77° F.

Fig. 27 (30). Of the plasticizers used in this particular series, trioctyl phosphate confers the most desirable low-temperature properties.

Another important property of elastomers is the brittle point or the temperature at which the material will crack when deformed at some fixed rate. Brittle point vs. plasticizer content for three different plasticizers is shown in Fig. 28 (30); here again, trioctyl phosphate re-

nisms. Creep constants for butadiene-acrylonitrile copolymer with and without plasticizer are shown in Fig. 29 (5) plotted as a function of temperature. The creep constants were calculated for a 120-sec. loading period. Stress relaxation versus temperature data (24) for Hevea gum rubber are given in Fig. 30, where g is measured in p.s.i. at 50%

Table IV.—Effect of Plasticizer Content on Brittle Point of Polyvinyl Chloride

Tricresyl phosphate content	Brittle point
% by wt.	°C.
15	>32
20	32
25	28
30	12
35	5
40	-5
45	-26
50	-27
55	-42
60	-55

elongation $\times 298$. Tobolsky and his coworkers predict that in the temperature range from 10° to 90° C. the secondary bonds are unstable

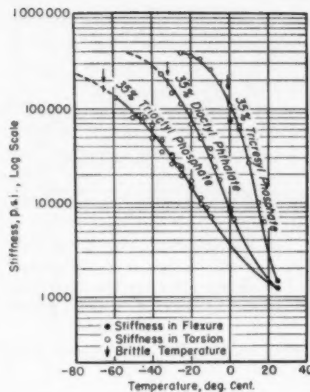
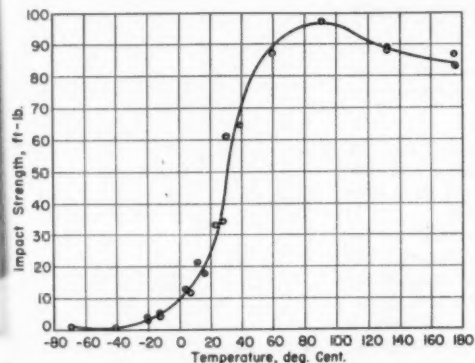


Fig. 27—Effect of temperature on stiffness of plasticized vinyl chloride copolymer²

ments under varying conditions of loading and frequency at 77° F. and 50% relative humidity but as yet has published little or no data on work at low temperatures. He has shown that certain materials, no-

Fig. 25—Effect of temperature on impact strength of S.A.E. 1020 steel



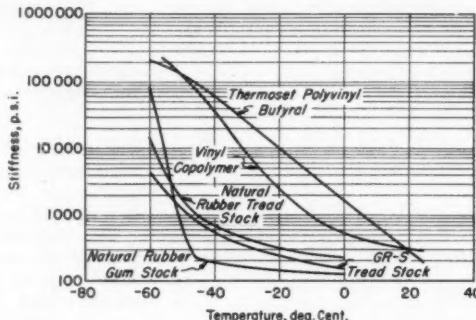
sults in the most desirable low temperature properties. Table IV (2) shows how brittle point varies as the amount of plasticizer used in the formulation is increased.

Creep and stress relaxation measurements provide information of a fundamental as well as a practical nature on plastic materials (31, 32). Data so obtained provide an insight into polymeric structure and into the various deformations mecha-

and that the primary bonds are breaking at a low rate. Above 90° C., network scission occurs, probably due to small amounts of oxygen. Below 10° C., secondary bond formation, which is of a reversible nature, becomes important.

Dynamic Properties—The effect of temperature on fatigue is a subject concerning which there is a scarcity of information. Findley (33) has carried out numerous experi-

Fig. 26—Effect of temperature on stiffness of elastomers



tably the cellulose, fail by softening due to the heat generated, and he has been able to stop this by cooling the specimen. Thus, for this class of materials, one could expect an improvement in fatigue properties at low temperatures. However, the possibility that the decrease in toughness with decreasing temperature might lead to poorer fatigue characteristics must be considered.

Interest in the dynamic properties

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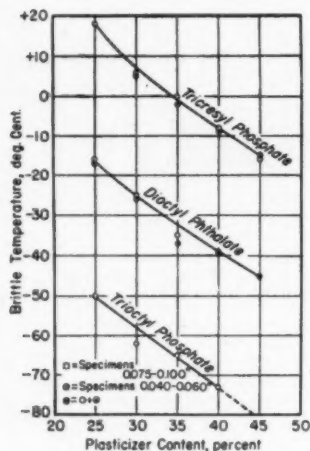
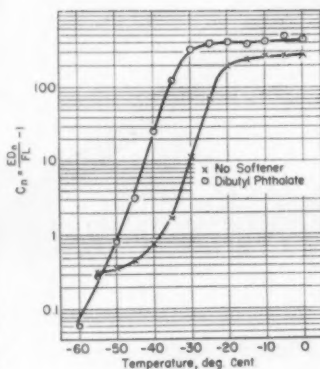


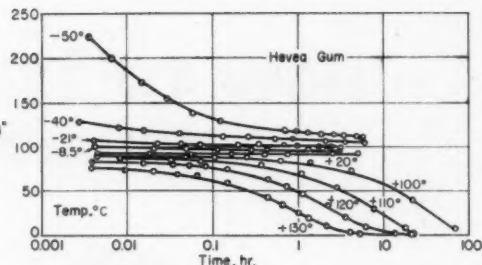
Fig. 28 (above)—Effect of plasticizer on brittle temperature of plasticized vinyl chloride copolymer². Fig. 29 (below)—Effect of temperature on creep constants for butadiene-acrylonitrile copolymer elastomer



of plastic materials has been increasing rapidly during the past few years. Work has progressed to the point where it begins to appear that dynamic testing may supplant some of the conventional methods now in use. The properties determined from this type of testing are elastic modulus and damping capacity. Damping or energy absorption capacity is an extremely important property of polymeric materials. It is related to the toughness characteristics of a material, although as yet this is only qualitative. The effect of temperature on the specific energy loss for polymethyl methacrylate is

² See footnote, page 136

Fig. 30—Effect of temperature on stress relaxation in rubber



shown in Fig. 31 (10). The change with temperature of this property is rather rapid from 50° to 0° C, but tends to level off below 0° C. Had the studies been carried out at temperatures above 50° C., the damping capacity values probably would have passed through a maximum.

Hysteresis studies in reality are dynamic tests carried out at low frequency. The effect of temperature on hysteresis for a pure gum rubber stock is shown in Fig. 32 (11). Hysteresis in this instance is defined as a percent energy loss in a cycle; that is, the ratio of the area in the loop to the area under the ascending stress-strain curve. If this had been expressed as an absolute energy loss, the curve would have been similar to those of Fig. 31.

Electrical Properties

Plastics first proved their worth in the engineering field as electrical insulating materials. In the early days, the phenol-formaldehyde resins monopolized this market. Gradually through the years, other polymers were introduced and accepted until today the electrical engineer has wide latitude in his choice of materials, both thermosetting and thermoplastic. As is the case with other physical properties, adequate information relative to the effect of temperature on electrical properties is necessary to the intelligent application of polymeric materials as components of electrical systems.

The effect of lowering the temperature on the dielectric constant and power factor for cellulose acetate, cellulose acetate butyrate and phenolic laminate is shown in Figs. 33, 34, and 35 (12). From these data it is evident that the electrical properties vary considerably with

temperature and that use conditions must be considered carefully in choosing a plastic insulation. This is likewise apparent from the data given in Table V (12). Curves for five types of acrylic polymers in which loss factor is related to temperature are given in Fig. 36 (14). Note here the effect of various substituent groups on the loss factor temperature relationship. The use of polyvinyl chloride as an insulating coating for wire has shown a tremendous increase in the past few years. Apart from its excellent electrical properties, in particular, insulation resistance, the wide acceptance of polyvinyl chloride is due to moisture resistance and

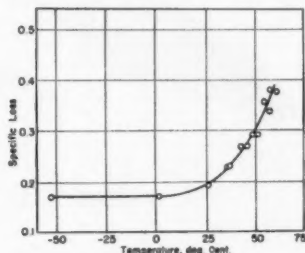
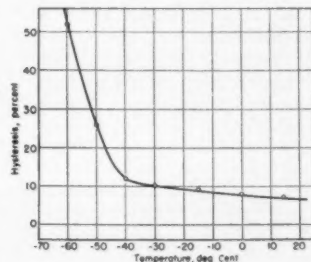


Fig. 31 (above)—Effect of temperature on hysteresis loss of polymethyl methacrylate. Fig. 32 (below)—Effect of temperature on hysteresis of gum rubber





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Table V.—Effect of Temperature on Dielectric Properties of Plastics

Material	Dielectric constant at 10 ⁶ cy.			Power factor at 10 ⁶ cy.		
	-70° F.	77° F.	170° F.	-70° F.	77° F.	170° F.
Cellulose acetate, H ₂	1.23	3.67	4.65	0.0131	0.0452	0.0324
Cellulose acetate, S ₂	1.15	4.60	4.54	0.0171	0.0522	0.0301
Cellulose acetate butyrate, H ₂	1.18	3.02	3.11	0.0113	0.0202	0.0191
Cellulose acetate butyrate, S ₂	2.93	3.35	4.98	0.0211	0.0249	0.0162
Grey vulcanized fiber	1.65	6.16	6.66	0.0469	0.0668	0.0316
Phenolic laminate XX	1.76	4.79	5.38	0.0199	0.0439	0.0281
Phenolic laminate LE	1.73	4.65	5.45	0.0246	0.017	0.056

flexibility at low temperatures. Data relating insulation resistance (under water) to temperature are presented in Fig. 37 (37).

An excellent discussion of the effect of environment on electrical

insulating materials has been contributed by Field (8). Data on temperature-resistance characteristics also are available (23).

Thermal Physical Constants

The effect of temperature on thermal properties is important in many applications of plastics. The low thermal conductivity of plastic materials makes them ideally suited for use as thermal insulators. Although one is apt to think of plastic materials only as "heat" insulators, further contemplation will reveal their widespread use as "cold" insulators on appliances, automobiles, aircraft, communication systems, and the like. In this sense, the plastic is used to provide a desirable feel due to its inherent low thermal conductivity properties. In the engineering sense, various foams are being used to insulate refrigerator wall panels, aircraft, and ships where a minimum rate of heat transfer is a necessity. The effect of temperature on the specific heat of polystyrene is shown in Fig. 38 (34). The rather sharp discontinuity in the slope of the curve occurs at the apparent second order transition point.

Irreversible Changes

A number of different effects brought about by lowering the temperature of a polymeric material may be classified as irreversible. Among these are permanent change of state, mechanical failure and permanent dimensional, optical and electrical changes. It should be emphasized that in many instances the polymer itself suffers no permanent structural damage but rather that the manufactured item is rendered unfit for further use. A few of the polymers which show a tendency toward crystallization are polyvinylidene chloride, polyethylene, nylon, and the rubbers, both synthetic and natural. There is some evidence that polyvinyl

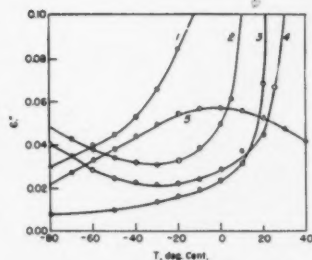


Fig. 36—Effect of temperature on loss factor of acrylic plastics (1. Polymethyl methacrylate; 2. Polymethyl acrylate; 3. Polyvinyl chloride, 20 percent plasticizer; 4. Polyvinyl chloroacetate; 5. Polyvinyl chloride)

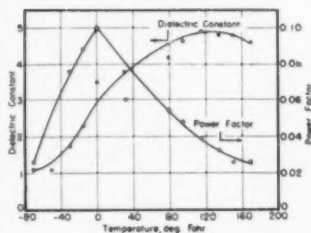


Fig. 33—Effect of temperature on dielectric constant and power factor of molded cellulose acetate (M-flow)

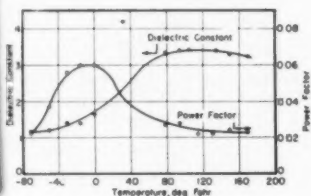


Fig. 34 (above)—Effect of temperature on dielectric constant and power factor of molded cellulose acetate butyrate (M-flow). Fig. 35 (below)—Effect of temperature on dielectric constant and power factor of phenolic laminate (Type LE)

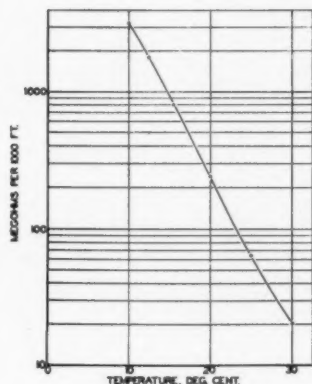
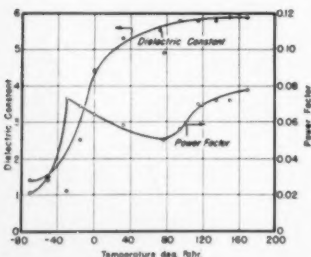
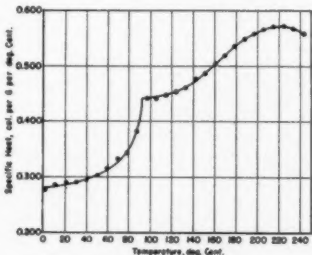


Fig. 37 (above)—Insulation resistance versus temperature of polyvinyl chloride coated wire immersed in water. Fig. 38 (below)—Effect of temperature on specific heat of polystyrene



chloride can exist in the crystalline state, although this is still a controversial issue. Torsional creep versus temperature curves for polyvinyl chloride show that the cooling curve differs from the heating curve, indicating that some irreversible structural change, possibly crystallization, occurs during cooling.

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





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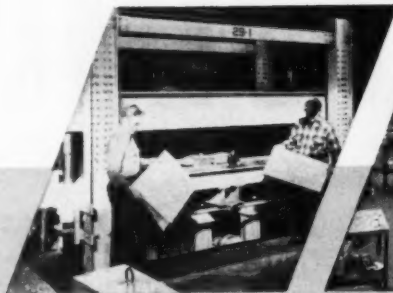
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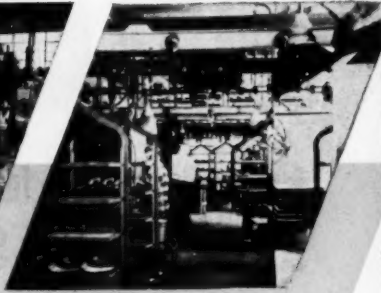
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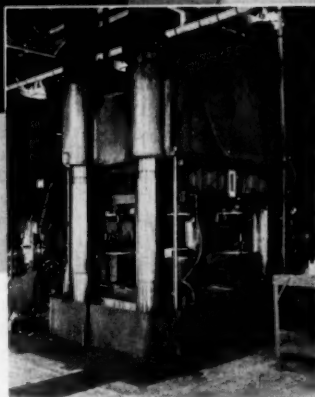


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SYNTHETIC FIBERS. *Chem. Eng. News* 29, 2552-57 (June 25, 1951). The types, properties, raw materials, and production of synthetic fibers are discussed.

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Materials

REINFORCED PLASTICS. R. J. Francis. *Product Eng.* 22, 85-108 (Feb. 1951). The types of resins and reinforcing materials used in making reinforced plastics are reviewed. Molding, fabricating, properties, design factors, and applications are discussed in detail. Except for high impact "molded-laminated" and "molded-macerated" compounds, the reinforcements do not flow appreciably as they are molded, and hence different forming methods are required. Also, instead of buying a "package" compound, laminators and molders of reinforced plastics purchase resins, reinforcements and catalysts from different sources. This makes available a great number of "combinations" that the design engineer can choose from. Fiber-reinforced plastics can be visualized in the same manner as concrete reinforced with iron rods. Their physical properties, when compared on a strength-weight basis, are superior to steel, and compare very favorably with the light metals. Present cost and relatively

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EXTRUSION OF POLYSTYRENE. W. C. Goggin and J. N. McDonald, Jr. *SPE*

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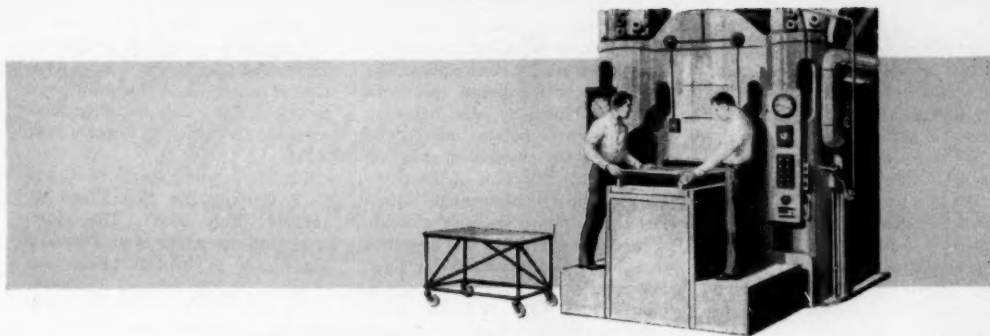
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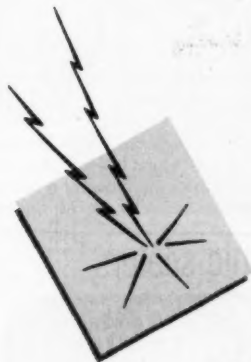
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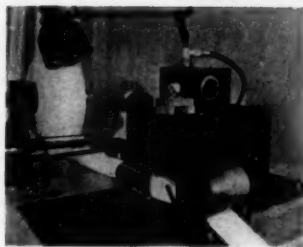
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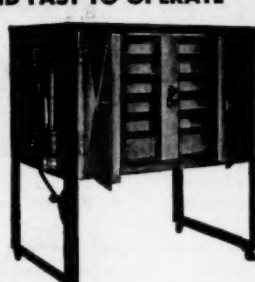
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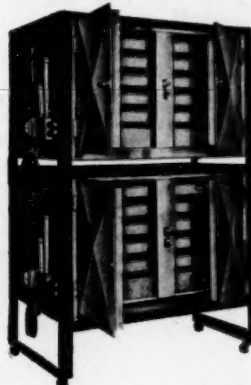


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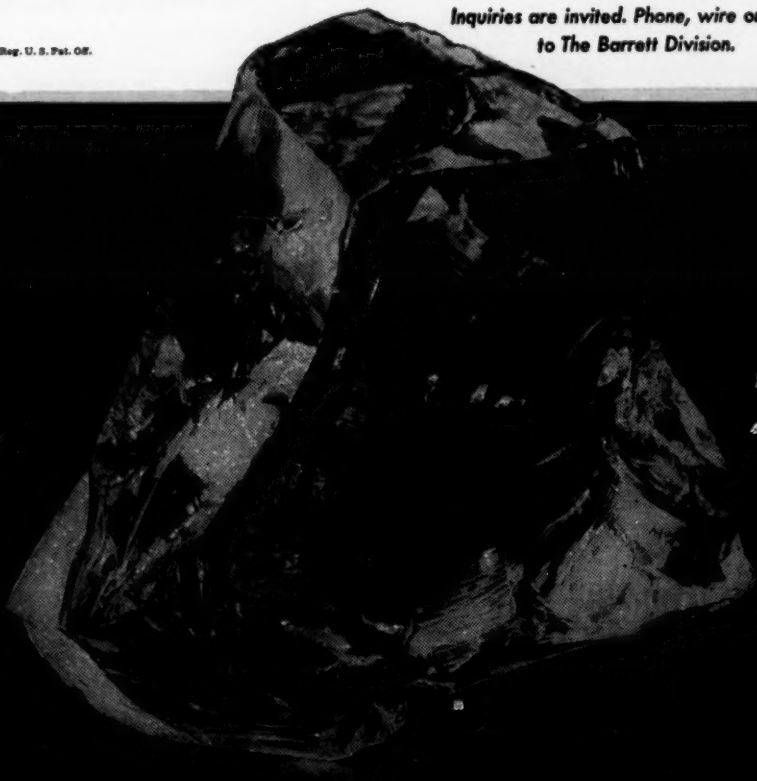
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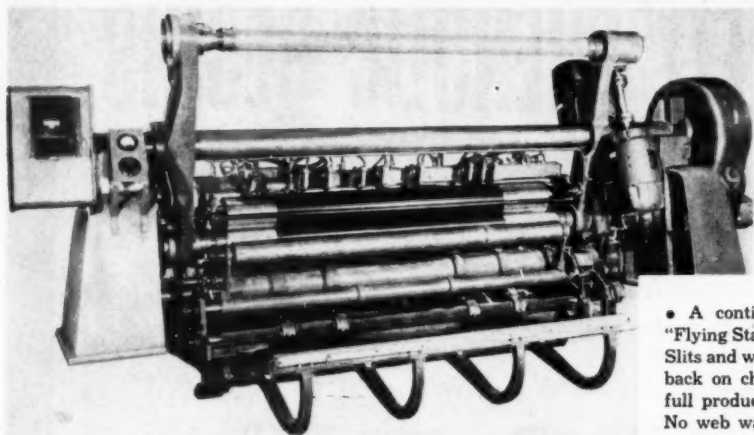


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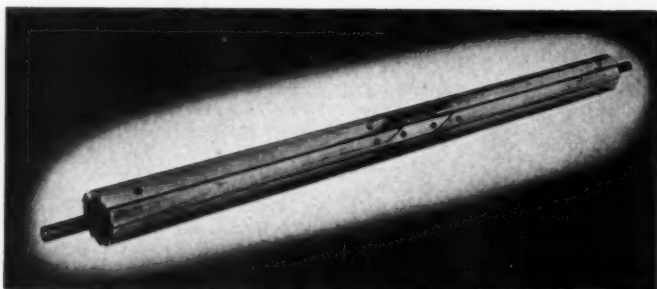
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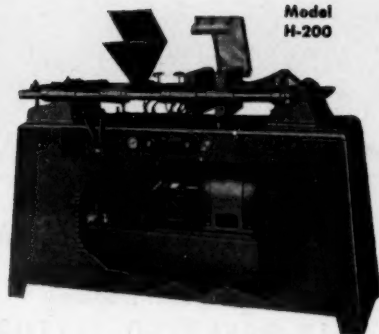
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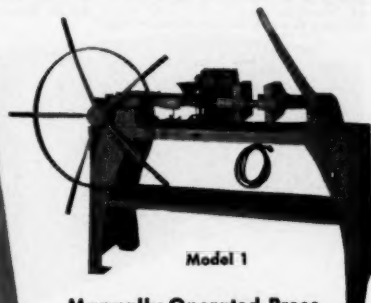
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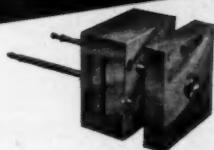
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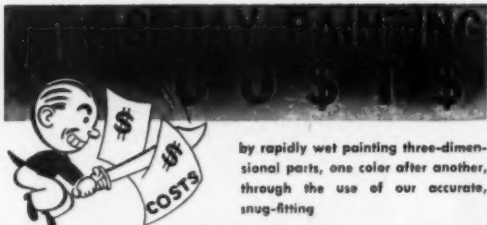


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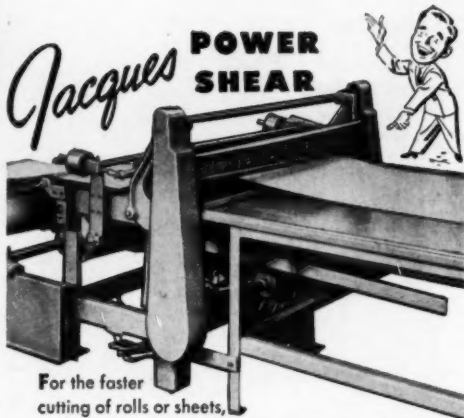
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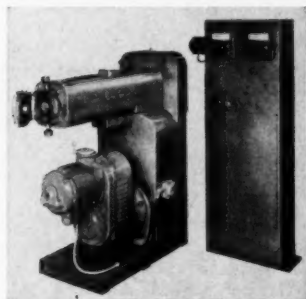
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"Exhibit Techniques," Edited by Helen Miles Davis

Published by Science Service, Inc., 1719 N Street, N. W., Washington 6, D.C. 112 pages. Price \$2.00.

For those who build exhibits for fairs and other displays, this book offers a wide variety of details and suggestions. It describes a number of ways of planning an exhibit with effective panels, lettering, and labeling. Display ideas such as moving platforms, flashers, illusion boxes, and other methods for making an exhibit easier to view and understand are detailed and illustrated. Included are over 20 descriptions of exhibits and projects that have been shown successfully.

"The Seamless Story," by J. Perc Boore

Published by The Commonwealth Press, Inc., 1507 DeLong Street, Los Angeles 15, Calif. 283 pages. Price \$5.75.

A thorough background in the history of the development of tubing with no seams or welds is offered in this book by an author with extensive experience in the field. Included is well-researched material on the history of the invention, the story of the inventors, the development of the product, and an outline of contemporary mills and their evolution into their present forms. The book also contains illustrated biographies of the personalities in the industry. An excellent bibliography presents an extensive listing of publications.

"Plastics for the Home Craftsman," by Harry Walton

Published in 1951 by McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y. 191 pages. Price \$4.00.

For craftsmen who enjoy working with plastics materials, particularly acrylic, this book offers design suggestions for utilitarian and decorative objects that can be made in a home workshop. Simple instructions, working drawings, and photographs outline each step in the creation of plastic ornaments from the original

cutting of the material to the finishing process. Details on the selection, waxing, and storage of plastic sheets are provided, together with different methods of production, such as carving techniques (cutting, drilling, smoothing, polishing, and internal carving) and molding operations (bending, twisting, and shaping). Piping light through plastic and embedding objects are two of the special techniques discussed.

"Davison's Rayon and Silk Trades"

Published in 1951 by Davison Publishing Co., Ridgewood, N. J. 528 pages. Price \$7.50 (office edition); \$5.50 (pocket edition).

The current edition of the annual register and technical compendium of the rayon, nylon, and other synthetics and silk industries of the United States and Canada consists primarily of a state-by-state listing of manufacturers' mills and a directory of dyers, printers, and finishers. Appended to the dealers' section is technical information of interest to members of the trade.

"Phase Transformations in Solids," by R. Smoluchowski, J. E. Mayer, and W. A. Weyl.

Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N.Y. 660 pages. Price \$9.50.

A result of a symposium held at Cornell University concerning fundamental phenomena accompanying phase changes, this book is a compilation of the papers presented at the forum together with the discussions of them. Three main groups of papers are included in the 17 chapters: a theoretical-physical group, a group dealing with non-metals, and a group dealing with metals.

"An Introduction to the Chemistry of the Silicones," by Eugene G. Rochow

Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York, 16, N.Y. 213 pages. Price \$5.

The marked industrial success of silicones has made it necessary to expand this second edition to include

most of the recent theory and applications. New chapters cover the carbon-silicon bond, synthesis of organosilicon compounds, the physical chemistry of silicones, and a greatly enlarged table of physical properties of organosilicon compounds with reference to the original work on each compound. The introductory chapters review the silanes and their derivatives; later chapters emphasize the silicon polymers that have achieved commercial importance and give methods for their preparation, chemical and physical properties, and possible uses, together with large-scale production processes. A review of various methods of silicone chemistry analysis is also included.

"The Surface Chemistry of Solids," by S. J. Gregg

Published by Reinhold Publishing Corp., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N.Y. 297 pages. Price \$8.50.

Various branches of the surface chemistry of solids are systematically surveyed in this book. General emphasis is on basic principles in an effort to simplify this complex subject for students not intimately acquainted with physical chemistry. Covered are all those chemical and physico-chemical phenomena which relate to the activity of the surface of a solid, or to the interface between a solid and a gas, a liquid or another solid, such as the adsorption of gases and vapors, the spreading of a liquid over a solid, catalysis, and adhesion. Theories of leading workers in these fields are summarized and evaluated in the book.

Selling to GM—Aimed at improving contact between General Motors and its many small suppliers, this booklet serves as a directory of the company's various purchasing departments. Each of the 39 manufacturing divisions is listed, together with the civilian and defense products made by each. As a further aid to prospective suppliers, the policies followed by General Motors with respect to defense contracts are outlined. *General Motors Corp., Broadway at 57th St., New York 19, N. Y.*

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Inventory control system (Pamph. SN 774)—Use of visible signals and files as an aid to management is detailed in this pamphlet by relating the history of one company's savings in time as well as costs after it had installed an activated inventory control system. Posting time and unnecessary duplication were eliminated by the combining of all essential records into one unit. *Management Controls Div., Remington Rand, 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.*

NEMA standards for laminated plastics—Information concerning the manufacture, test, and performance of laminated thermosetting sheets, rods, and tubes is covered in this new publication. Specifically, the publication describes the grades and presents the standards for form, color, finish, thickness, diameter, length, width, flexural strength, dissipation factor, impact and bonding strength, water absorption, arc resistance, and other properties. Typical values for physical and electrical properties are also listed and data are given on paper, fabric, asbestos, glass, and nylon base grades, including three grades of engraving stock. The publication may be obtained for \$1.00 from *National Electrical Mfrs. Assoc., 155 East 44 St., New York 17, N. Y.*

S.P.I. Technical Session—The proceedings of the Sixth Annual Tech-

nical Session of S.P.I. is now available in a 225-page illustrated publication. Included are copies of reports covering such diversified topics as: the variables in molding glass fiber preforms; basic mold design; bulk fillers; merits of the reinforced glass fiber bread tray; design and development of reinforced plastics; reinforced plastics in naval aircraft, ships, army engineer research, and aircraft applications; and fibrous glass polyester laminates having high resistance to moisture. There is also a section devoted to the report of the standards committee and to new developments in the field of resins. The forums of questions and answers which followed the presentation of each report are outlined. Other topics covered are: machining and finishing of reinforced plastics parts; industrial hygiene considerations in the manufacture of reinforced plastics; design and fabrication of glass reinforced helicopter main rotor blades; and a survey of the reinforced plastics industry as it is now in Canada. A limited number of copies of the publication are available for \$2.00 from *Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc., 67 West 44 St., New York, N. Y.*

Boiler valves (Bull. E125)—Various types of valves available for boiler services are described and illustrated. Complete specifications, materials of construction, and dimensions are given for each of the company's valves. The illustrations include details of design, sectional and exploded views, and explanations of operation. There is also a section devoted to describing fire protection valves. *Everlasting Valve Co., Dept. 76, 49 Fisk St., Jersey City 5, N. J.*

Laboratory service center—Attractively printed in two colors, this 16-page booklet presents photographs and text description of the new Washington Plant of the company. The emphasis is placed on the facilities which have been built into the plant for the fast and convenient handling of orders. *Fisher Scientific Co., 7722 Woodbury Drive, Silver Spring, Md.*

Monoglycerides—The growing use of monoglycerides of the fatty acids—such as stearic, oleic, lauric, and ricinoleic—in industry is discussed

in this reprint. Methods of manufacture plus the varying compositions and physical properties possible are outlined. A specifications chart is also included. The industries discussed range from plastics, food, and drug to polish, insecticide, and photographic. *Glyco Products Co., Inc., 26 Court St., B'klyn 2, N. Y.*

Chemical industry in Mexico—The house organ "Polaquimias," of Dr. Jose Polak, S. A., Chemical Engineers and Consultants, is now available in an English edition. The purpose is to supply information on any Mexican developments affecting the use of chemical products for industrial, agricultural, and mining enterprises. *Polaquimias, Edificio Polaquimia, Mexico 4, D.F.*

Pittsburgh chemicals—Breaking down five of its divisions into the principal products each one offers, this 12-page company bulletin summarizes the important individual uses and applications. Diagonal illustrations showing the chemicals as employed in industry are included and, whenever possible, specifications are given. The five sections covered are coal chemicals, plasticizers, activated carbons, protective coatings, and agricultural chemicals. *Pittsburgh Coke and Chemical Co., Grant Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.*

Shell-molding—The entire process of shell-molding is thoroughly explained in this 8-page illustrated booklet which makes good use of simplified diagrams. Also covered are a history of the process, its advantages, the materials and equipment needed in production, and the necessary information for successful upkeep. A table is included for guidance in determining the forming and curing cycles. *The Borden Co., Chemical Div., 350 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.*

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Pyrometer supplies—Technical data on the application and use of thermocouple pyrometric supplies are included with this 40-page buyer's guide which lists a complete line, basic prices, and standard ordering procedures. Each product is illustrated with an enlarged view of its assembly and is listed under one of the five separate sections: base and noble metal thermocouple assemblies; special purpose thermocouples; replacement elements; and components. *Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Industrial Div., Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia, Pa.*

Facts about plastics—Designed to give the layman a basic introduction to the plastics industry, this 24-page booklet offers a complete outline in clear, non-technical language of the manufacture, forms, uses, and the design possibilities of plastics. Simplified drawings and illustrations aid in a better understanding. Topics covered are: advantages of plastics; thermosetting and thermoplastics; laminated plastics; custom molders; industrial and consumer applications; molding; and design. *The Richardson Co., Melrose Park, Ill.*

Testing instruments—As an aid to comparing and verifying the physical properties of manufactured or fabricated materials, the instruments listed in this illustrated pamphlet cover a variety of applications. Data are given on equipment for determining bursting pressures, bulking, or thickness, and for obtaining basis weights. *E. J. Cady & Co., 134 N. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.*

Spray painting—Nearly 100 photographs have been assembled in this 16-page brochure to graphically illustrate the many uses of spray equipment now in operation. Actual scenes of the machines in action were taken at industrial plants, on farms, in shipyards, and wherever else spray painting is practiced. A special feature shows the company's

new research center and school where all sorts of finishing problems are handled. *Spray Painting Equipment Div., DeVilbiss Co., Toledo, Ohio.*

Protective linings—Alkalies, dilute mineral acids, chlorinated solvents, detergents, and other chemical products can now be successfully shipped in steel containers with the new epoxy resin protective coating-liner described in this leaflet. Called "Synthetazine 100," this lining is claimed to be as effective in resisting the normal abuses of shipping as it is in withstanding chemical action. Its application, curing schedule, and the results of actual tests on the product are also covered in the leaflet. *Synthetazin Protective Coatings, Inc., 600 Fifth Ave., New York 20, N. Y.*

Polyethylene—The many uses and advantages of the various grades of Agilene polyethylene are outlined in this circular. Products made of Agilene are illustrated and described in detail, as are the chemical make-up and physical properties of the material itself. *American Agile Corp., Plastics Div., 5806 Hough Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.*

Company organization—In celebration of its fiftieth anniversary, this company has issued a 42-page booklet, highlighting its past and its position in the industry today. Of particular interest are the sections describing various production problems arising over the years, and the methods developed in their solution. *United Eng. and Foundry Co., 948 Duquesne Way, Pittsburgh, Pa.*

Plexiglas handbook for aircraft engineers—A 66-page manual covers in detail the use of Plexiglas for transparent enclosures on aircraft. The handbook treats four main subjects: types of Plexiglas sheet for aircraft use; physical and chemical properties; design considerations; and methods of installation. Considerable emphasis is placed on design which includes much data presented for the first time. *Rohm & Haas Co., Plastics Dept., Washington Sq., Philadelphia 5, Pa.*

Certified magnetic separation (Cat. No. C-5000-B)—The company's entire line of magnetic separators and lifting magnets is described in this

12-page bulletin, which explains which magnets to use for removing iron from wet or dry materials carried on conveyor belts, as well as from chutes, ducts, and so forth. Units for magnetic concentration and purification, heavy media recovery, and materials handling are also discussed. *Dings Magnetic Separator Co., 4740 W. Electric Ave., Milwaukee 46, Wis.*

Tenite folder—Available to industrial designers only, this folder contains reference data about new uses for cellulose acetate and cellulose acetate butyrate molding and extrusion materials. These new applications include knife handles, a clothes drying rack, a plant protector, furniture knobs, an electric fence gate, a football helmet, a fuse puller, etc. Assembly operations of each application and the particular properties of acetate and butyrate that are utilized in each end use are discussed. All of the applications are accompanied by photographic descriptions. *Tennessee Eastman Co., Kingsport, Tenn.*

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Pigments—An up-to-date chart has been issued on Violet phosphorescent and fluorescent pigments. This chart contains such data as colors, afterglow, fluorescence, specific gravity, particular properties, and suggestions for applications. *Rhode Island Laboratories, Inc., West Warwick, R. I.*

Abrasive-belt machines—Descriptions of the company's abrasive-belt machines are contained in this 28-page booklet. For each machine, a list of specifications, standard equipment, drive unit, and accessories is given, together with its operation and the scope of its uses. *The Porter-Cable Machine Co., 3160 N. Salina St., Syracuse 8, N. Y.*

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Materials	Total p'd'n. first 8 mos. 1951	Total sales first 8 mos. 1951
CELLULOSE PLASTICS:^a		
Cellulose acetate and mixed ester plastics:		
Sheets, under 0.003 gage	11,178,343	11,136,566
0.003 gage and over	8,186,861	8,053,490
All other sheets, rods and tubes	4,213,477	4,030,542
Molding, extrusion materials	49,153,312	46,922,447
Nitrocellulose:		
Sheets	4,770,003	4,011,993
Rods and tubes	772,020	839,084
Other cellulose plastics ^b	8,664,930	8,400,944
PHENOLIC AND OTHER TAR ACID RESINS:		
Laminating	53,684,873	36,918,151
Adhesive	50,026,691	26,545,437
Molding and casting materials ^a	159,261,277	140,521,570
Protective coatings (unmodified and modified except by rosin)	19,559,925	14,672,106
Miscellaneous uses	51,067,943	48,999,582
UREA AND MELAMINE RESINS:		
Adhesives	57,920,106	54,505,467
Textile-treating resins	53,750,901	50,241,964
Paper-treating resins	10,684,139	10,158,376
Protective coatings, modified and unmodified	19,008,538	13,319,427
Miscellaneous uses, including laminating and molding ^c	60,071,660	52,658,828
STYRENE RESINS:		
Molding materials ^a	174,736,871	166,380,582
Protective coatings, modified and unmodified	29,440,252	28,065,396
Miscellaneous uses	39,355,929	33,884,036
VINYL RESINS:^d total	300,834,651	279,709,393
Sheeting and film (resin content) ^e		112,437,887
Adhesives (resin content)		9,600,189
Textile and paper-treating resins (resin content) ^f		30,397,066
Molding and extrusion materials (resin content)		94,166,072
Protective coatings (resin content)		17,336,586
Miscellaneous uses (resin content)		15,736,593
COUMARONE-INDENE AND PETROLEUM POLYMER RESINS:	112,123,709	111,126,505
MISCELLANEOUS SYNTHETIC PLASTICS AND RESIN MATERIALS:		
Molding materials ^{a, g}	51,637,466	46,339,465
Protective coatings ^h	12,049,224	13,600,420
All other uses ⁱ	68,793,389	64,938,988

^a Dry basis unless otherwise specified. [†] Revised. [•] Includes fillers, plasticizers, and extenders. ^b Includes sheets, rods, and tubes, and molding and extrusion materials. ^c Data on resins for laminating and miscellaneous uses are on a dry basis; data on molding materials are on the basis of total weight. ^d Production statistics by uses are not representative, as end-use may not be known at the time of manufacture. Therefore, only statistics on total production are shown.

Plastics Materials

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By U. S. Tariff Commission

July 1951		August 1951	
Production	Sales	Production	Sales
1,625,021	1,618,717	1,406,973	1,380,721
989,532	958,473	877,315	814,539
447,337	460,463	414,444	384,366
5,766,292	5,733,425	5,204,253	5,117,025
427,963	341,559	542,655	428,941
80,184	83,541	102,487	120,973
801,430	964,885	1,153,138	896,608
5,295,495	3,475,726	5,929,167	3,860,870
3,252,878	2,848,327	4,313,602	3,850,824
19,070,773	15,876,020	16,697,672	15,778,443
2,521,600	1,904,371	2,524,663	1,991,109
6,052,034	5,254,041	5,536,636	5,443,300
5,266,046	4,966,559	5,808,930	5,805,986
1,458,597	1,513,480	1,639,725	1,542,483
888,568	1,102,621†	1,580,314	1,390,127
1,162,262	912,427	1,632,325	1,136,216
6,209,730	5,364,738	7,189,355	6,162,201
25,689,129	23,731,005	26,566,966	24,167,725
3,971,292	3,794,225	3,647,791	3,531,994
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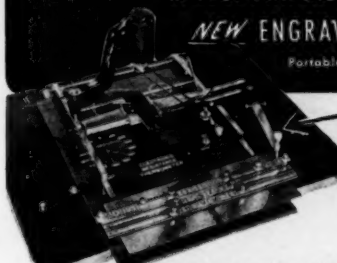
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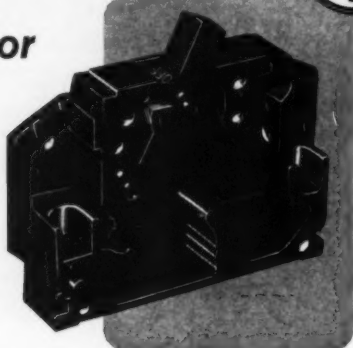
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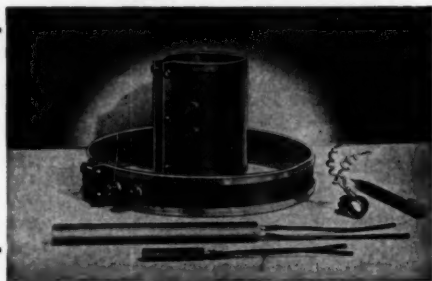


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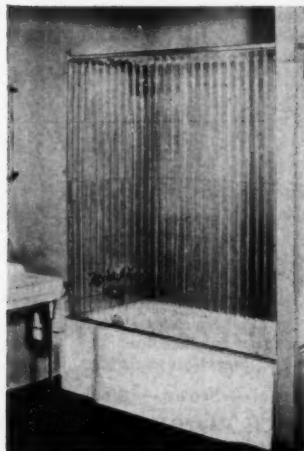
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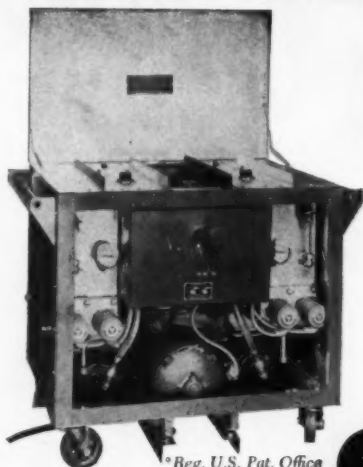


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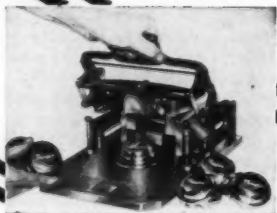
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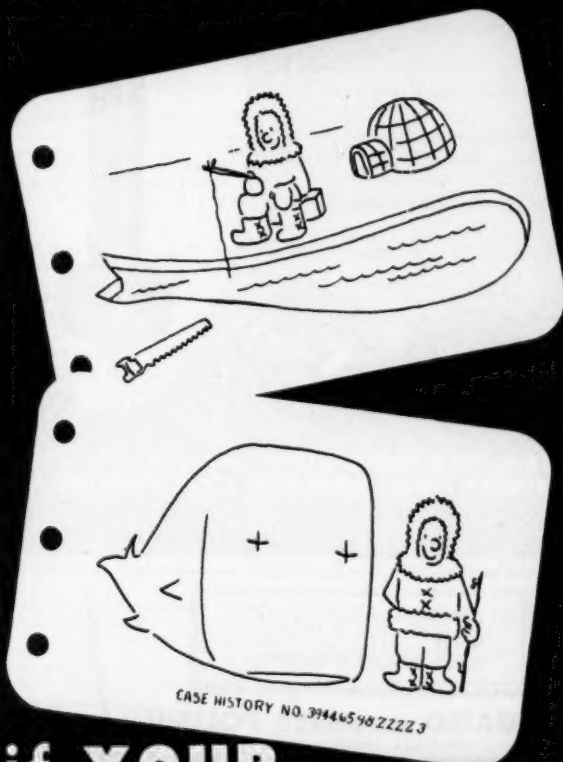
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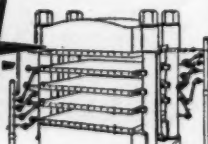
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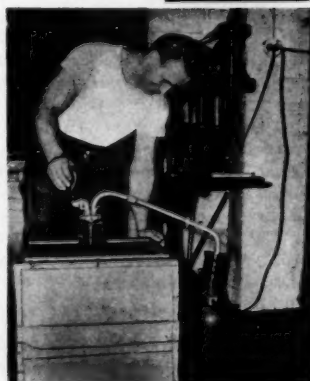
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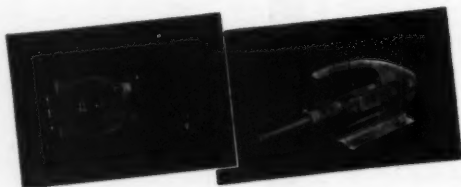
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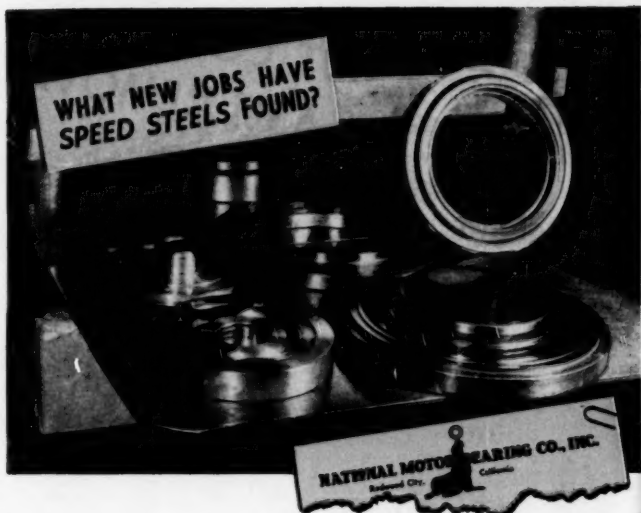
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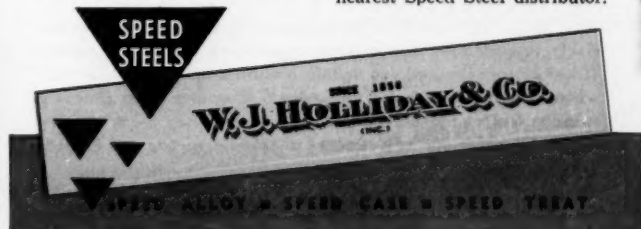


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Two conference sessions were held. The Wednesday session was presided over by Robert F. Howe, E. B. Kingman Co. George V. Sammet, Jr., Executive Vice-President, Northern Industrial Chemical Co., spoke on "Multiple Management in Plastic Molding," describing the system used in his organization for training junior executives, while at the same time increasing efficiency and improving morale. R. A. Hoffer, Manager of Engineering, Plastics Div., Chemical Dept., General Electric Co. spoke on "Developing New Applications for Plastics," and used as illustrations actual examples of redesigned products in which plastics superseded other materials.

The current status of O.P.A. regulations as they relate to the plastics industry was discussed by Robert E. Bell, Chief, Plastics, Toys and Miscellaneous Sec., Consumer Durable Goods, O.P.S.

At the annual banquet Wednesday, Oct. 10, George V. Sammet, Jr., Chairman of the New England Section of S.P.I., was toastmaster. S.P.I. President Gordon Brown spoke on the current year's activities in S.P.I.

At the Thursday session, F. Reed Estabrook, Jr., presided. Frank X. Kiefer, Editor, *Department Store Economist*, discussed "Merchandising Plastics in Retail Stores," giving case histories of successful plastics product promotions at retail level. George H. Sollenberger, Chief, Thermoplastics Unit, Plastics Sec., Chemical Div., Dept. of Commerce, N.P.A., reported on N.P.A. functions as they affect the plastics industry today. Professor Albert G. H. Ditz of the Mass. Institute of Technology presented an illustrated lecture, "Japan—Six Years After."

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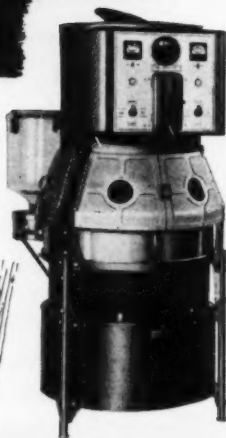
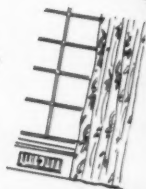
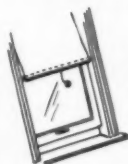
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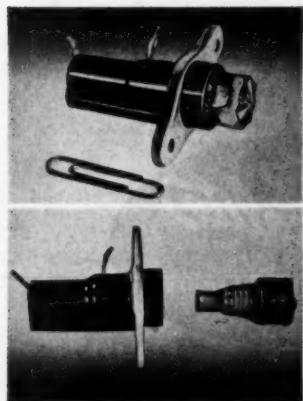
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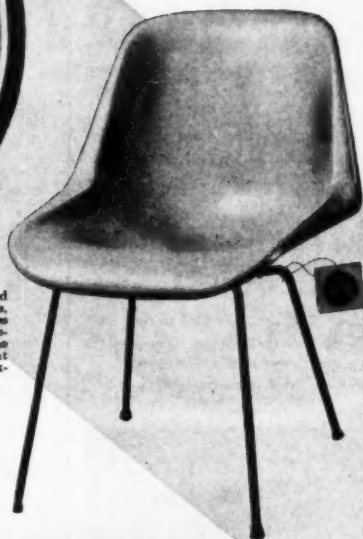
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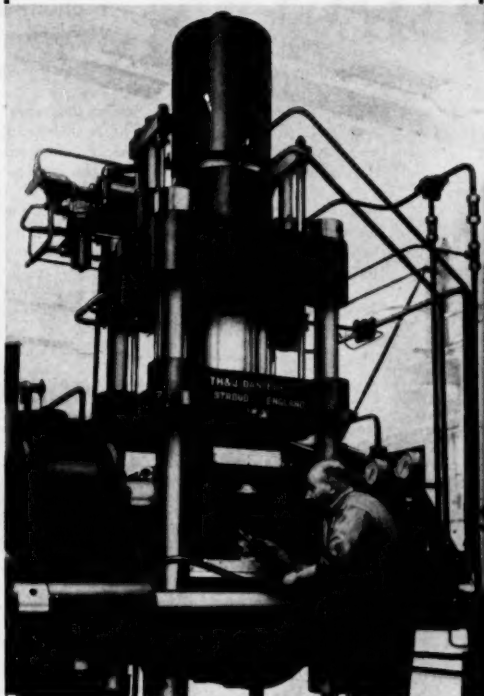
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Egg baskets, potato baskets, and other similar utility items for farm use are being coated with vinyl plastisol in the same manner as are dish drainers. Handles on various kinds of tools are also being dip coated for electrical insulation and to give them a softer, warmer feel. A number of companies are coating the tips of bobby pins so that women can open the pins with their teeth without danger of chipping or scratching their teeth.

Stainless steel nuts and bolts used in corrosive chemical baths are now being replaced by low carbon nuts and bolts coated with vinyl plastisol. The vinyl-encased nuts and bolts, made by Steere Enterprises, Akron, Ohio, cost about one seventh as much as stainless steel . . . and they resist corrosion better.

Bumpers on carts used in supermarkets are also being dip coated with vinyl plastisol. The 1/4-in. thick coating is applied without bonding to the metal by F. D. Pace Co. The resultant bumper has a better appearance than one encased in rubber tubing, and the vinyl coating will not tear or crack as does the rubber.

Automotive light sockets are also being dip coated with vinyl plastisol to seal out dust and moisture.⁴ The sockets, made by Watts Electric & Mfg. Co., Birmingham, Mich., are coated on fully automatic equipment with a plastisol material formulated by Michigan Chrome & Chemical Co.

Another automotive application of vinyl plastisol dip coating is a brace rod which goes behind the zig-zag springs in seat backs. The main purpose of this coating is to prevent the spring and brace rod from clicking against one another when the car goes over bumps.

F. D. Pace Co. is also coating heavy spring clips used in automotive electrical test equipment. The coating covers the coil spring and all of the clip except the actual con-

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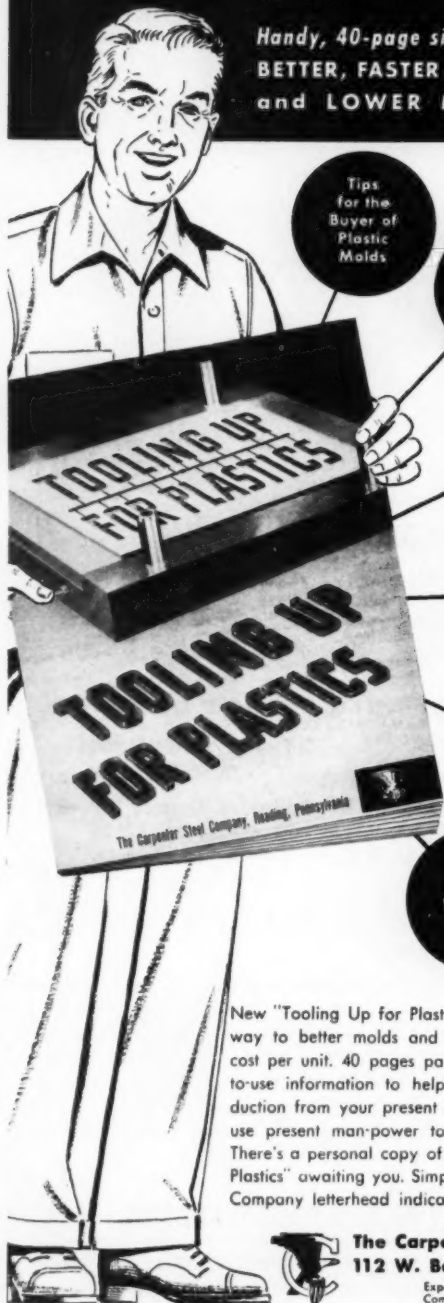
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The coating on gloves cannot be measured in thickness because some of it seeps into the fabric. Thus it is usually measured in pounds per dozen pair. The coating weight is between 2¼ and 4 lb./doz. pair. Such a coating outwears a rubber coating three or four times, has better resistance to oil and grease, and has better color.

Spread Coating

When using vinyl plastisols for spread coating, it is often possible to get as thick a coating in one pass as can be obtained with two or three passes when using vinyl solutions. Thus, vinyl plastisol coated fabrics have a cost advantage over solution-coated fabrics. Plastisol coated fabrics are, in fact, likely to drive nitro-cellulose coated fabrics out of the market because they are in the price range of such fabrics but have the superior qualities of vinyl coated fabrics.

The application of plastisol coated fabrics are the same as those of other vinyl coated fabrics. They range from chemical-resistant protective clothing to decorative applications like upholstery material embossed to resemble straw.

One unusual application of spread coated vinyl plastisols is in the glowing tape² used to seal or mark boxes so they can be identified in the dark. The luminescent fabric tape is coated with vinyl plastisol to give it toughness, abrasion resistance, chemical resistance, low temperature flexibility, and moisture protection for the luminescent pigment.

The tape is made by Century Coating Co., Long Island City, N.Y. The 36-in. wide fabric is passed

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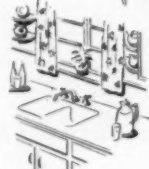
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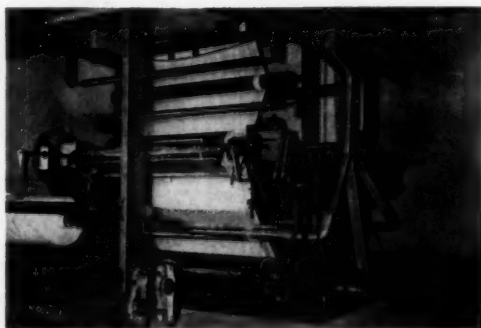
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A vinyl plastisol spread coating provides the wearing surface for Sandran, an inexpensive hard-surfaced floor covering made by Paulsboro Mfg. Co., Fullerton, Pa., and marketed by Sandura Co., Philadelphia, Pa. The clear vinyl wearing surface permits pattern effects not attainable in other types of floor coverings, because the patterns can be multicolor rotogravure printed.

After the design for Sandran has been printed on a specially developed cellulose sheet, the plastisol wearing surface is applied by reverse roll coater and fused in an oil fired convection oven. The resulting sheet is then laminated to an asphalt saturated felt backing material.

Vinyl was decided upon for the wearing surface because of its inertness to soaps and detergents, water resistance, flexibility, scuff resistance, and abrasion resistance. Plastisol type vinyl resins were used because the multiple passes required with coatings containing a high volatile content would result in prohibitive costs. Thus the combination of desirable properties and the low price of the finished Sandran flooring material was made possible by vinyl plastisols.

Other Processing Methods

Vinyl plastisols can be processed by methods other than those already discussed. But most of these additional methods are still being developed and perfected.

Cast film. Vinyl plastisols can, for example, be cast into unsupported film or sheeting, although most of the cast film now being made is produced from other materials. A cast plastisol film is usually thin (1 or 2 mil) because the main advantage of plastisols in this field is the fact that a thin film can be produced more easily than by other methods.

Another advantage of cast plastisol film is the fact that it can be printed easily. The method of printing often used is to print with vinyl inks on a special coated paper, cast the film on the printed paper, and then strip off the film. The vinyl inks, having greater adhesion to the

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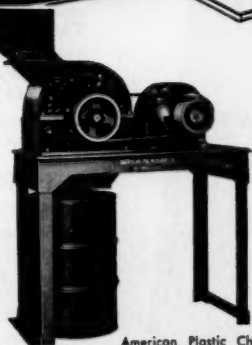
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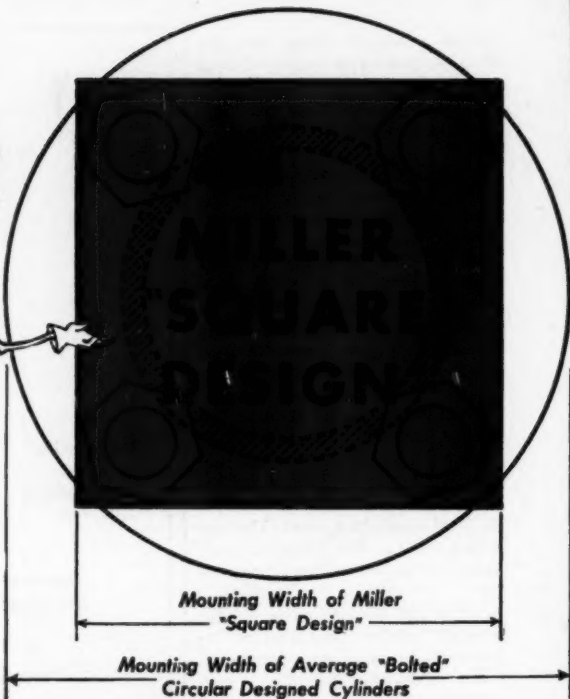
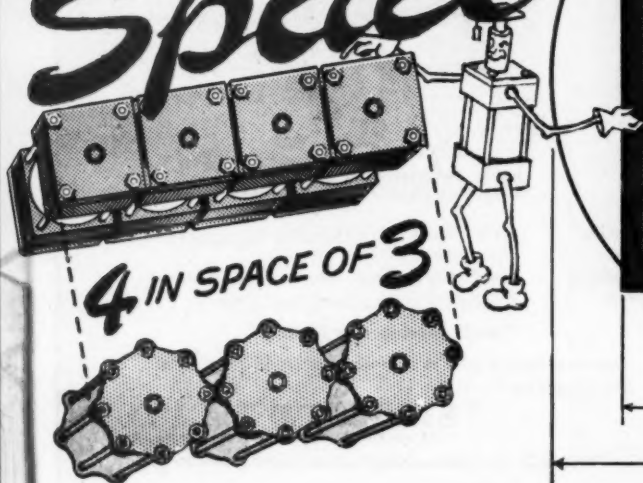
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Spray coating. There are many possible applications for vinyl plastisol coatings which seem impractical at present because the articles to be coated are too large to be dipped in a tank of plastisol and subsequently put in an oven and baked. The answer to this problem may be spray coating.

Spraying a vinyl plastisol coating presents many problems. If the plastisol material has a viscosity which permits it to be sprayed, it is also likely to run and flow after it is sprayed and before there has been time to apply heat to fuse the material. In certain applications, adhesion to the surface to be coated may present problems. Finding a way to evenly heat a surface too large for an oven also demands ingenuity.

The best indication that the problems involved are about to be solved is the fact that some of the companies working on the development of spray coating methods have solved the adhesion problem, some have solved the flow problem, and some have solved the heat problem. As yet no single company seems to have found all the solutions.

Although spray coating is still in the development stages, it will soon be a practical production method. It will then make possible such applications as linings for large tanks; abrasion-resistant, corrosion-resistant surfaces for parts of ships; sprayed-on, colorful, durable, wall coverings; sprayed-on seats and backs for light metal folding chairs; scratch-resistant, colorful, easily repairable finishes for auto bodies.

Foam. Despite all the methods of using vinyl plastisols mentioned above, there are still some experts who believe that there is another method which will someday account for more vinyl plastisols than all the others combined. The possibilities of foamed vinyl plastisols are so in-

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triguing that virtually every company in the plastisol business is seriously considering the foam business.

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Examples of actual production uses of foamed vinyl plastisols are rare. An ice bucket molded of foamed vinyl plastisol by Sponge Rubber Products Co., Shelton, Conn., was described in these pages over a year ago.⁷ Elastomer Chemical Co. claims to have the only foamed vinyl plastisol material which can be cast without pressure and molded to intricate shape in inexpensive open molds. This material is now being used in the toy field and in the prosthetic appliance field—but details are confidential.

The Finishes Div., Interchemical Corp., New York, N.Y., has only recently announced the development of a vinyl plastisol from which foam or sponge vinyl can be produced without pressure. But this material is so new that there are as yet no applications in production.

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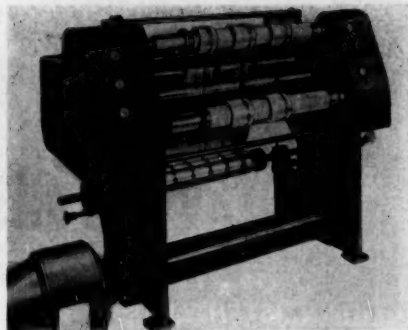
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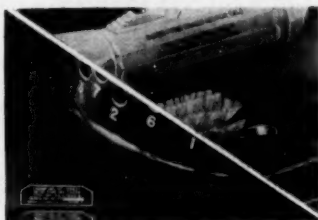
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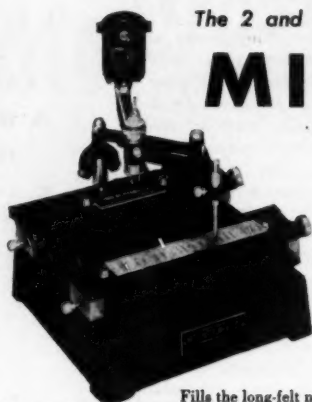
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Another military use of ethyl cellulose molded in extremely thin wall sections is the radiosonde housing described in January 1951 issue of *MODERN PLASTICS*, page 62.

Ethyl cellulose is still in use in the proximity fuse, but it is possible that this application will be lost to other materials. There are a number of new developments for the military requiring quantities of ethyl cellulose. Many of these projects are classified, and cannot be discussed.

Miscellaneous Uses

There is quite a variety of miscellaneous applications in which the toughness of ethyl cellulose plays an important part. Well established now are the extruded vacuum cleaner wands, developed by Yardley Plastics Co., Columbus, Ohio, for Scott & Fetzer, Cleveland, for use on the Kirby vacuum cleaner. Figure 12 shows a dust brush for the Regina vacuum cleaner, made by the Regina Corp., Rahway, N.J. The brush is injection molded from Hercocel E by Bloomfield Molding Co., Bloomfield, N.J. In vacuum cleaner parts, this material offers great advantages over aluminum, which used to be standard. It can take a terrific beating, yet parts made from it have a surface softness which will not damage the finish on home furnishings. Its new colorability is a plus, and the parts can be easily cleaned.

Figure 13 shows cable clamps manufactured from Ethocel by

Commercial Plastics Co., Chicago, Ill. Here, the toughness of the material and its resistance to attack from the elements are the reasons for using it.

Ethyl cellulose is used in safety goggles by Willson Products, Inc., Reading, Pa., as a matter of straight economics. Cost was lowered, since expensive metal components were eliminated and machine assembly was made easier. In addition, performance was improved.

The economics of freedom from refinishing of molded ethyl cellulose in comparison to metals is illustrated in the housing shown in Fig. 14. Molded for Radio Corporation of America, Camden, N.J., with Hercocel E, this housing is used to cover the electrical equipment mounted in the tops of metal standards in the viewing areas of outdoor theaters.

The molded piece replaces a housing made of metal, the main shortcoming of which was that it had to be refinished at least every two years, involving disassembly of the unit and shipment of the housing back to the factory to be regalvanized. In two years of pilot experience, no failures have been found in the plastic housing; RCA estimates that on the basis of a three-year life for the plastic housings, it would be possible to completely replace them every three years at a lower cost than would be involved in refinishing the metal units.

While ethyl cellulose has excellent electrical properties, those properties are lost in some measure under exposure to moisture. Therefore, ethyl cellulose has limitations as a wire coating. But its abrasion resistance and toughness has made it a logical coating for blasting wire, in which it replaces wax-treated cotton insulation. The Hercules blasting cap assembly shown in Fig. 15 has two ethyl cellulose-coated wires of different colors. The coating is extruded over the bare wire and has excellent resistance to crimping and other punishment. The simplicity of manufacture has reduced costs in this instance.

For many years, the textile industry has been demanding injection molded bobbins and spools. The quill bobbins shown in Fig. 16 are molded of ethyl cellulose by American Insulator Corp., New Freedom, Pa., in a variety of colors for ready

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Future Applications

Progress toward big volume of any plastic material frequently hinges on finding one or two applications of colossal poundage. Ethyl cellulose is just waiting for such a proposition. A major possibility is the molded shotgun shell. Figure 17 shows a Danish version of this development, which has been proved completely practical and economical. New types of textile bobbins and spools are, of course, another possibility. Large area moldings produced in volume are bound to come. An office chair with molded seat and back is one of a series of designs created by Sundberg-Ferar, Detroit, Mich., for Hercules Powder Co. to promote new thinking on ethyl cellulose applications.

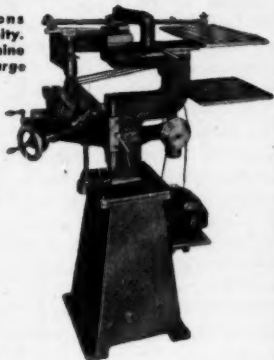
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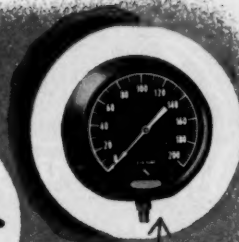
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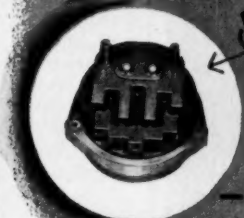
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lization, has occurred. Much work remains to be done in this field.

Certain of the high polymers show a tendency toward crazing or the development of minute fissures projecting inward from the surface. Generally speaking, this is a phenomenon associated with higher temperatures than are considered here. Crazing can take place, however, at low temperatures where strains are set up in the material as shrinkage occurs. Little is known regarding the effect crazing would have on electrical properties. The magnitude of the effect would depend on the severity of the crazing. It is expected that resistivity might be adversely affected, as would the dielectric properties due to the change in geometry brought out by crazing. Optical properties are adversely affected by crazing in that the percent transmitted light is reduced and scattering increased. It is evident that crazing is a type of mechanical failure and that any part in which crazing has occurred will fail under a lower externally applied load than one in which no crazing was in evidence. This is especially true when a material is

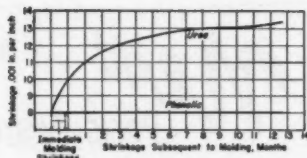


Fig. 41—Mold shrinkage of phenolic and urea plastics

tested under fatigue loading conditions.

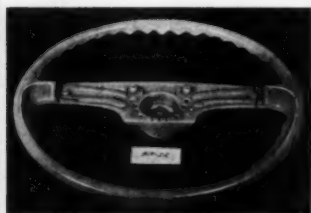
Failure by cracking is a phenomenon usually associated with large moldings subjected to cycles of temperature extremes. This is well illustrated by the failure of a cellulose acetate steering wheel cycled between 175° and -40° F., shown in Figs. 39 and 40.

A molded or fabricated part may fail to give satisfactory service due to warping or buckling at low temperatures. Typical of this type of failure would be the shrinkage with consequent warpage that takes place in large sections of aircraft glazing plastics.

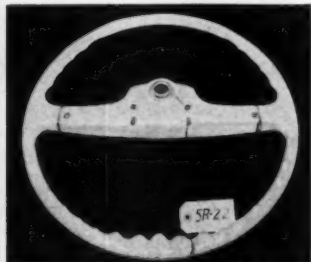
Design Considerations

Failure of a plastic part at low temperatures is usually due to several mechanisms working together. Thus, the cellulose and some of the thermosetting materials might give poor service due to contraction (thermal) and loss of moisture. The combined effects would cause cracking around metal inserts and distortion which would eventually lead to complete mechanical failure. Another system of combined effects is that associated with molding, that is, mold shrinkage plus after shrinkage plus contraction (Fig. 41 (9), and Table VI). Proper design of the molded article will greatly minimize these effects.

The practical importance of an adequate knowledge of the low-temperature properties of plastic materials has been touched on briefly as the individual property variations with temperature were discussed. As has been previously pointed out, the suitability of a plastic material for a given low-temperature application is governed by a number of factors working together. The most important of these are: 1) linear or volume coefficient of expansion, 2) toughness, 3) dimensional stability related to



Figs. 39 (above) and 40 (below)—Molded cellulose acetate steering wheels after subjecting to cycle test (175° to -40°F.)



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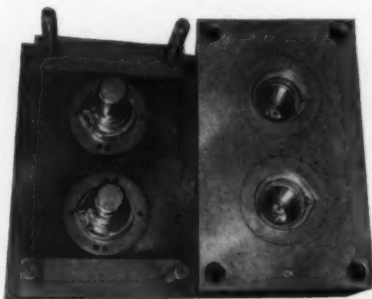
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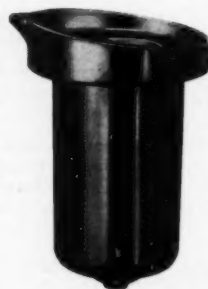
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loss of moisture or other volatiles, and 4) rigidity or stiffness. The successful application of rubber as a material for automobile tires is due partly to retention of toughness and flexibility at low temperatures. Plastic film is coming into use as a packaging material for frozen foods,

Table VI.—Average Shrinkage of Compounds (Cold Mold to Cold Piece)

Material	in. per inch
Phenolic—wood flour filler	0.006 to 0.010
Phenolic—fabric filler	0.003 to 0.007
Phenolic— asbestos filler	0.002 to 0.006
Urea	0.006 to 0.010
Cellulose acetate	0.002 to 0.010
Polystyrene	0.001 to 0.003
Polymethyl methacrylate	0.002 to 0.006

first, because of superior moisture-vapor transmission characteristics, and second, though of equal importance, satisfactory toughness and flexibility at low temperatures. Thermosetting materials are widely used in low temperature electrical applications because their low contraction coefficients allow the use of inserts without cracking.

The successful design of a plastic object for low temperature use depends upon the sound application of the known design fundamentals. It is a difficult matter to weigh each one of these separately due to the interrelationship of the various factors. Before proceeding with the design, the environmental conditions to which the part will be subjected must be as completely specified as possible. A temperature differential as small as 10 degrees C. may influence the choice of one material over another. The selection of material will depend, of course, upon the application, and should be based on the most up-to-date physical properties data available. Combinations of metals with plastics call for a high degree of skill on the part of the design engineer, particularly where the part is to be subjected to severe cycling conditions. Sections should be designed with adequate radii to minimize the concentration of stress due to contraction as the temperature is lowered. The molding method will be governed to a large extent by the material used and the size of the molded object. It is essential that thermosetting materials be molded under such conditions that complete cure is effected. Thermoplastics should be molded so that a

minimum amount of undesirable strain is put into the object. This generally means that the molding should be carried out at as high a temperature as is practicable. The foregoing recommendations are merely guideposts to the design engineer. In the last analysis, a successful design is the one that gives rise to a satisfactory product. Plastics, due to their unique properties, will continue to expand their range of usefulness as engineering materials.

The reader undoubtedly has noted with disappointment the paucity of factual information on many phases of the subject herein discussed. As mentioned earlier it is only recently that data of this type have been considered important, and while our knowledge is being expanded rapidly by many investigators, it will be some time before the data at hand can be considered really adequate. While more information is needed all along the line, more intensive investigation is needed particularly on creep, fatigue, damping, and electrical properties, and on effects caused by cycles of composite forces (such as repeated freezing and thawing, accompanied by combined stresses set up around inserts).

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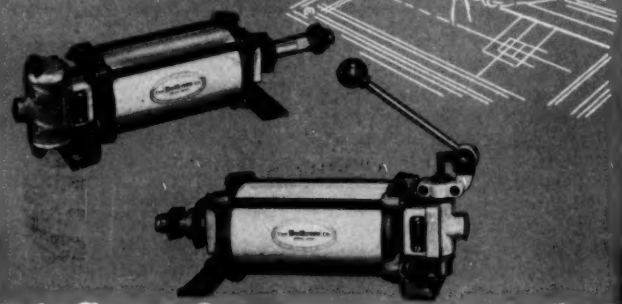
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Plans for the Future

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New plant in Ohio

The management expects that the company's polystyrene production capacity will be increased appreciably by April or May of 1952 when the new Port Plastics polymer plant in Addyston, Ohio, near Cincinnati, and expanded facilities in the Texas City plant for monomer are completed. Polystyrene latices for wax and paint will also be produced in the Ohio plant.

The company expects no great difficulty with structural steel for the Port Plastics plant since a large supply of the necessary steel is already on the site in the form of a partially built structure which was there when the Addyston location was acquired. In these days of steel shortages for building and equipment, no opening date for a new plant can be guaranteed, but Monsanto is reasonably sure that the Port Plastics plant will move along according to schedule. The California polystyrene plant has already doubled production since its installation in 1950, but is not operating at capacity because of a monomer shortage.

The monomer plant in Texas City was built with private funds in contrast to all but one of the original styrene plants built by the Government to supply the wartime rubber program. Following the explosion of the S.S. *Grandcamp* in 1947 which destroyed the original Texas City styrene plant, Monsanto erected its own private plant to produce styrene for the anticipated expanded

needs of polystyrene customers. This source of supply was interrupted at the Government's behest so that styrene could be diverted to the emergency rubber program.

Like all other polystyrene producers, it is safe to assume that, as soon as styrene monomer becomes more freely available, Monsanto also will be ready with new styrene plastic materials having a variety of properties that will enable them to be adapted to even wider markets than are today prevalent in polystyrene.

Phenolic expansion

Monsanto also expects to be able to increase its production of phenol-formaldehyde resins and urea-formaldehyde resins for adhesives and coatings in the near future. The company's phenolic resin molding material plant at Springfield, Mass., is not operating at capacity due to a shortage of phenol—a situation which may be alleviated in the near future. The company is already a big producer of phenolic adhesives through its Western Division plants in Seattle, Wash., and Santa Clara, Calif., and expects to maintain its position in that field.

Monsanto does not talk much about its vinyl program. Its comparatively new polymer plant in Springfield is running below capacity because of a monomer scarcity. It's a cinch bet that that condition won't exist for long—company spokesmen have often repeated that Monsanto aims to produce primarily only those products in which it can be basic. Consequently, it might be taken for granted that the company expansion program in Texas includes plans for a vinyl monomer plant. But how soon this can be achieved is still a matter of doubt due to uncertainty in obtaining steel and other critical materials for structure and equipment. Commitments for chlorine and other raw materials have been obtained.

Improved technological advances

in production and quality during the past year or so have made available an ever-increasing quantity of polyvinyl butyral, nearly all of which has been consumed in safety glass for the expanding automobile market. A comparatively new green tinted type is being increasingly used because it helps to lessen the effect of sun glare.

Acetate sheet production has not been at full capacity because of a plasticizer shortage. No expansion is contemplated.

Foreign program

The company's foreign program for plastics is significant for various reasons. It helps to show how American companies have helped sell plastics on a world-wide basis, and it will relieve the pressure on the demand for American-made raw materials. A Monsanto plant has been producing polystyrene in England since July, 1950, from monomer imported chiefly from Germany. A new styrene monomer plant built by Forth Chemical Co., and operated in cooperation with Monsanto, will begin production in 1952.

The company's Canadian plant has been producing polystyrene since 1947—a Mexican plant has been in operation since February, 1951—an Australian plant will begin operations some time in 1952.

A vinyl chloride monomer and polymer plant is under construction in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and will begin operations in 1952 or 1953. Monsanto-Atanor Industrias Quimicas in Buenos Aires, Argentina, has been producing phenolic molding material since last spring.

In Japan, Monsanto has affiliated with Nipponkasei Chemical Industries, producer of vinyl resins, to form the new firm of Monsanto-Kasei Kogyo K.K. of Tokyo.

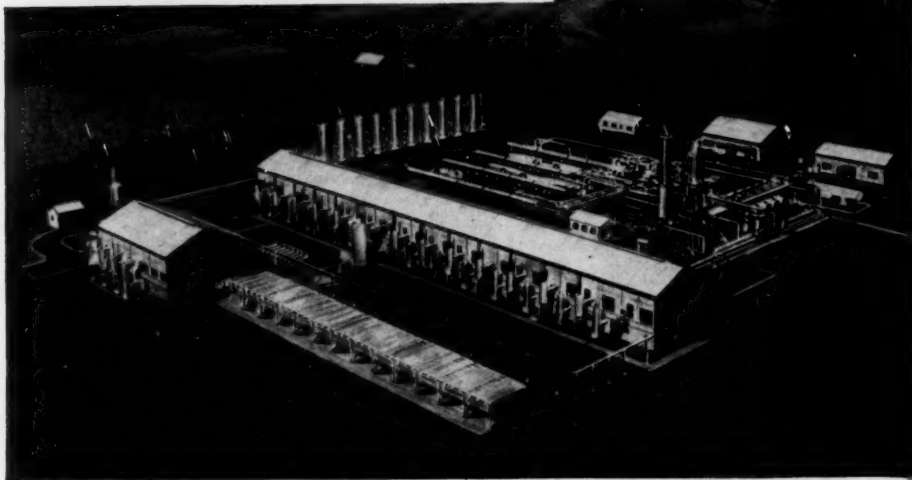
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DEVELOPMENT of a new coating material for acetate plastics has been announced by Bee Chemical Co., Chicago 33, Ill. Called Logoquant Series A, the coating is said to have unusual properties of hardness, flexibility, and adhesion, in addition to extreme resistance to embrittlement. It is rapid drying, and can be sprayed on in any weather condition including 100% humidity.

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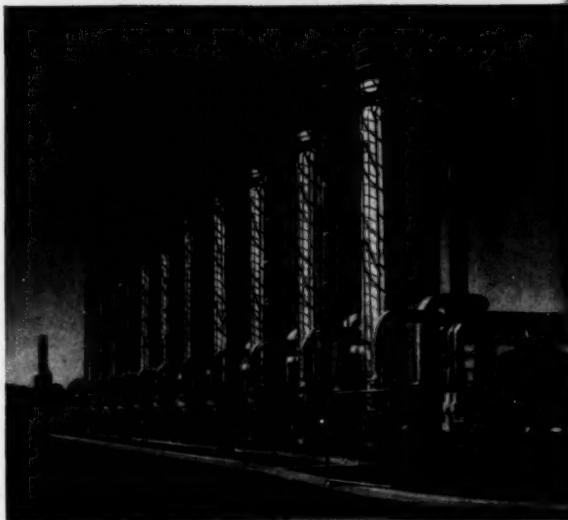
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the "scotch tape" test, will not break when the item is bent, and will withstand more abrasion than the acetate plastic itself.

The coating was designed to meet the problem of "blushing," a dulling of the surface gloss or loss of adhesion caused by high humidity.

Recommended particularly for coating toys and for other Christmas applications, the coating is available in a full line of bright metallic and pigmented colors.

Cements for Acrylic

THREE new cements—CD 2, 94, and 114—have been developed by Chemical Development Corp., Danvers, Mass., specifically for bonding acrylic materials. CD 2 was developed for Plexiglas; 94 and 114 for Lucite. These are monomer base cements and, consequently, are expected to produce bonds of exceptional strength and good appearance, two factors which make them preferable to the use of solvents alone. They are particularly recommended to manufacturers who wish to form, sand, or machine the final product after assembly, or who want a strong completely welded joint.

N.J. Plastics Plant

CONTRACT for a new plastics plant at Linden, N. J., has been awarded to Wigton-Abbott Corp. by Marco Chemicals, Inc., Sewaren, N.J. The one-story building, to cost an estimated \$150,000 when completed in about five months, will replace the present Sewaren plant. Marco plastics are used in the production of glass fishing rods as well as aircraft, automotive, electronic parts.

Molded Stock Components

STOCK component parts molded of urea formaldehyde and acetate have recently been introduced by Synthetic Plastics Sales Co., 461 Eighth Ave., New York 1, N.Y. Potential uses suggested for these new parts include the manufacture of toys, games, infants' accessories, buttons, decorations, and shade pulls.

Six general designs are featured by the manufacturer: crinkle wheels; two-part balls with center

hole; two-part ovals with center hole; washers; molded giant rings with milled surfaces; and scalloped half-shells with center holes. They are available in various sizes and the following colors: pink, baby blue, copper blue, red, maize, white, Nile and Kelly green. Other colors are available on special order.

Polyethylene Jar

DEVELOPMENT of an unbreakable double-wall polyethylene jar, five times lighter than glass jars of similar size, has been announced by Injection Molding Co., 3823 Independence Ave., Kansas City, Mo. The patented double-wall construction provides insulation and prevents bleeding of essential oils which often occurs in single-wall polyethylene containers. The jar is available in any color. All printing and labeling is heat etched by a special company process.

Armored Tubing

SQUARE, triangular, oval, and streamlined shapes of Dekoron plastic armored metal tubing have been added to the line of round tubing produced by Samuel Moore & Co., Mantua, Ohio. The company's patented extrusion process for coating the tubing permits application of vinyl or polyethylene plastic over seamless tubing or tubing with welded, lap, or butt seams. It can be applied over any kind of metal core. The armored tubing does not crack, chip, or flake. It resists corrosion from salt air, moisture, oils, acids, and alkalies, and remains unaffected by normal temperature changes.

Made in a wide variety of sizes, colors, and finishes, the tubing is suggested for use in furniture, appliances, garment rails, crowd control rails, and automotive parts.

Glass Textile Weaver Buys Firm

ACQUISITION of the assets of Horace Linton & Bro., Inc., Philadelphia, Pa., manufacturer of industrial tape, by Hess, Goldsmith & Co., Inc., New York, N.Y., weaver of glass textiles, has been announced. Production of tape will continue under a newly formed unit, the Horace

Linton Div., at narrow fabric weaving plants in Philadelphia and Pleasantville, N.Y.

Staff members of the new division are: Wallace R. Linton, vice president and general manager; Dominic A. Siravo, assistant to the general manager; Raymond F. Clark, sales manager. No other changes in Horace Linton personnel have been made.

Enters Glass Fiber Production

UNDER licensing agreement with Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. will enter the fiber glass production field in the near future. Two types of fiber glass—strand fiber for electrical insulation and super-fine fiber for insulation, sound absorption and flotation purposes—will be manufactured. A separate development and production unit to be known as the Fiber Glass Div. will be formed with J. Hervey Sherts as general manager.

Plastics Refresher Course

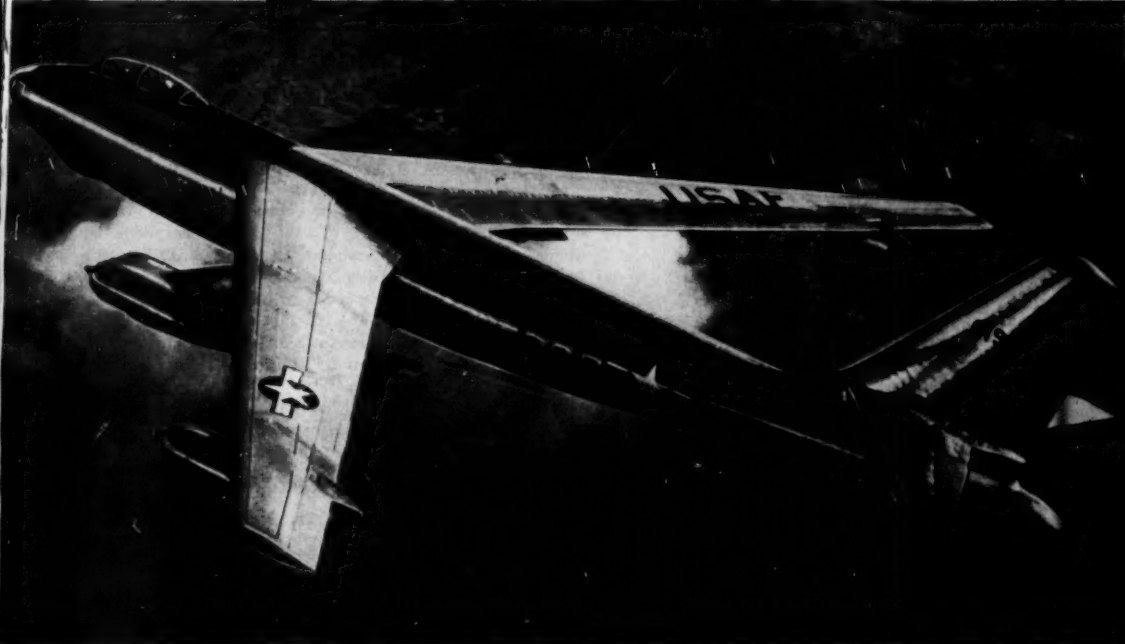
THIRD annual Plastics Technical Service Refresher Course for plastics salesmen from all over the country was recently completed at The Dow Chemical Co.'s plant, Midland, Mich. The course included lectures on the various Dow plastics, industrial movies of interest to the plastics industry, demonstrations of molding machines and techniques, and visits to Dow's plastics manufacturing plants.

Decal Process

MANUFACTURERS are transferring colorful pictures in fine detail to shower curtains, tablecloths, children's inflatable toys, and similar items made of Bakelite vinyl film with a special decal produced by Palm, Fechteler & Co., 220 W. 42nd St., New York, N.Y. The new process employs decals with inks which are based on vinyl resins with the same flexibility, durability, and resistance to moisture, mold, oil, and chemicals as the vinyl film itself. Warwick Chemical Co., 100 Pulaski St., W. Warwick, R.I., makes the inks.

Application of the decals is as follows: A special solution provided with the decals is first applied to the film surface with cheesecloth. The decal is then placed face down in position, and pressed to the film surface with a rubber roller. When

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water is applied to the decal with a sponge, the paper backing slides off. The transferred decal is then cleared of surplus adhesive gum by tapping gently with damp cheese-cloth, and finally dried.

Fast Curing Phenolic Compound

CURE time on parts produced in compression, transfer, and plunger type molds is speeded by the use of a new fast-cure phenolic compound developed by General Electric's Chemical Div., Pittsfield, Mass. Designated as GE-12853, the new compound is recommended for those applications now being molded with general purpose phenolic materials. Reported savings in cure time are: meter bases, 20%; radio cabinets, 16%; tube sockets, 25%; iron handles, 34%; and tube bases, 40 percent.

The compound, which is produced in black, gives good finish and high gloss in molded parts. It combines good physical and electrical properties, and its preforming characteristics are excellent. Any common method of finishing may be used.

Aqueous Emulsion for Vinyl

FILLING a long standing need for an aqueous emulsion type adhesive for laminating vinyl film to paper is Polybond D-319, manufactured by Polymer Industries, Inc., 1108 30th Ave., Astoria, N.Y. The product handles readily on squeeze roll or other standard equipment.

Modifier for Plastisols

CONTRIBUTING to the control of higher ranges of rigidity and dielectric strength in vinyl plastisols and organosols is Kenflex, a plasticizer recently announced by Kenrich Corp., 120 Wall St., New York 5, N.Y. The manufacturer claims that Kenflex has led to the development of plastisols for wire insulation, potting compounds, printing inks, and coatings.

A popular plasticizer combination giving a high viscosity plastisol is reported to be two parts Kenflex A to one part DOP mixed and applied at elevated temperatures. A plastisol containing this plasticizer tends

to maintain constant viscosity during the preheating period until the fluxing point is approached. Compared to all ester plasticizers, it gives higher tensile strengths and more rapid fluxing, along with the elimination of excessive rubbery characteristics. The manufacturer also claims that Kenflex improves bonding, surface finish, and dispersion of fillers and pigments.

Phenolic Foam

UNUSUALLY high compressive strength—up to 500 p.s.i.—is offered by a new phenolic foam core material developed by Rezolin, Inc., 4825 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. Called Corfoam, the product is a liquid phenolic resin which, when mixed cold, will foam at room temperature to a hard consistency without being subjected to applied heat. It can be foamed in large masses without loss of cell control or undue shrinkage; moisture absorption is low; it will not soften under heat; and tests have revealed good insulating characteristics. It has good adhesion to wood, paper, and most plastics, and will not support combustion.

Corfoam has a honeycomb appearance with tiny globular non-connecting cells, and a density of approximately 14 lb. per cu. foot. Its physical properties suggest its use in applications where high structural strength is required.

Rezolin is constructing a \$225,000 office and factory building at 5736 96th St., Los Angeles, which will house complete tool fabrication facilities for making plastic dies, jigs, and fixtures. The building is expected to be completed by Jan. 1.

Talking Books

RECORDS for the blind, known as Talking Books, are now being produced on a 150-ton press made by F. J. Stokes Machine Co., 5500 Tabor Rd., Philadelphia 20, Pa. The Talking Books consist of sets of transcriptions on which are recorded 1600 classic and contemporary books. Each record is 12 in. in diameter, and is made of thin, semi-flexible vinyl. Title and page

number of the book are marked in Braille on each record. Played at a turntable speed at 33½ rpm., each record has a listening time of 15 min. per side, so that 18 double-faced records are required to transcribe an average-length book, a reading time of about 9 hours.

Talking Books are distributed through the Library of Congress to 25 regional libraries for the blind.

Air Force Insulating Tube

FIRST polyvinyl electrical insulating tubing for aircraft wiring to pass the rigid Air Materiel Command tests conducted at Wright Field in accordance with USAF Spec. 12047-A has been made by Extruders, Inc., 3232 W. El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif. The tubing is called Insulite XLT-175.

The Air Force specification, originated in October 1949, calls for vinyl insulating tubing with excellent low temperature characteristics, complete resistance to corrosion and fungus growth, and high dielectric strength.

Vinyl Bonding Agent

NOW being introduced to the plastics industry by Schwartz Chemical Co., Inc., 326 W. 70th St., New York, N.Y., is Vinyl Cement, a new solvent-type bonding agent for cementing most of the commonly used vinyl plastics. Especially formulated for use with flexible vinyls, the new water-white cement is said to be equally efficient when used on rigid vinyl sheets and molded sections. It requires only one surface application, and adhesion results in a few seconds.

Glass-Resin Prepared Sheet

A GLASS fiber reinforced-polyester composition called Fiberlux, which exhibits the best characteristics of each of the basic materials, has been announced by International Glass Fibres Corp., Baltimore, Md. The material is light in weight—8 oz. per sq. ft.—has a high tensile strength of 8000 to 10,000 p.s.i., and is not affected by sub-zero temperatures or temperatures up to 300° F. It has good load bearing characteristics, optimum light transmission, and low heat transmission.

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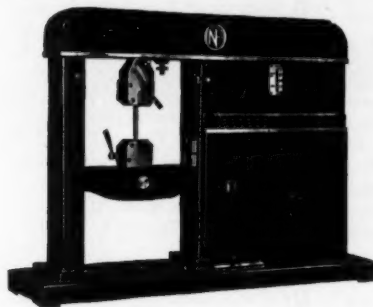


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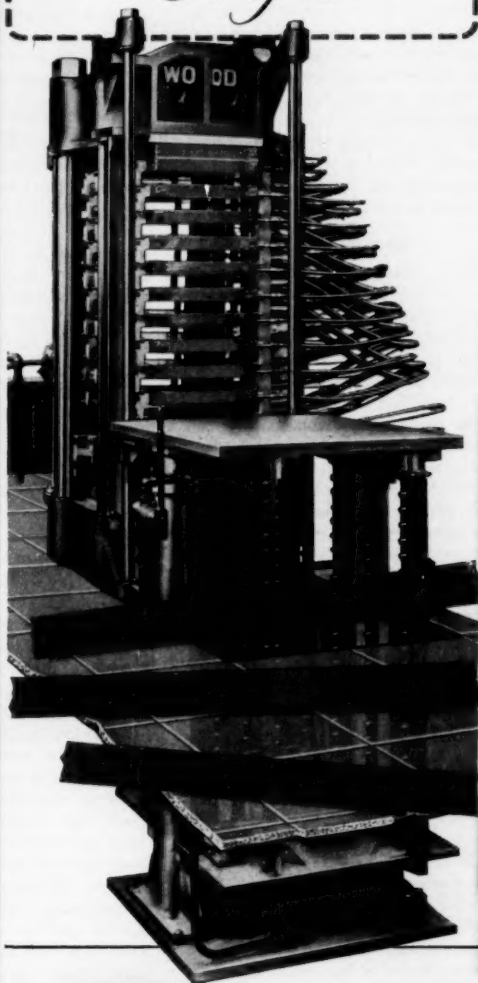
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nailing, a shock area about $\frac{1}{16}$ in. around the nail hole will usually occur, but this will have no effect on the basic strength of the material.

Sheets of Fiberlux can be fastened together or to other materials by using ordinary sheet metal screws. Fiberlux does not conduct electricity and, therefore, there is no danger of electrolysis occurring.

Specs for QM Tray

THE Quartermaster Corps is working on specifications for an 8 by 10 in., three-compartment, disposable plate. At present, such a tray is produced from melamine-impregnated paper and is fairly satisfactory, but the department thinks that possibly an even more satisfactory job can be done. Specifications will not mention the material used, but will specify performance properties. At present the plate is being used to feed soldiers on troop trains, but it could be used for many other purposes and developed into large volume production.

This tray should not be confused with the well known acetate tray liner which fits into compartments in a melamine tray and is thrown away after use. The article for which this specification is being drawn up is a separate item that will be used primarily as an expendable feeding tray to be used once.

Spec for Strapping

AN INTERESTING application for plastics is MIL-C-10922 (QMC) concerning strapping that is used on an individual weapons case for airborne troops. The specs call for an impregnation of the end of the strap which is used to fasten the case.

The specs say that the plastic shall be a thermoplastic resin that will not crack, peel, or flake from the webbing when the strap is conditioned for 4 hr. at -40° F. and then bent back upon itself in each direction across the warp over a $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. mandrel. The buckle end of the strap shall be impregnated with a solution of the plastic material in such manner as to provide smooth operation of the quick adjustable buckle. The impregnated area of the

strap shall extend from the end of the strap to a distance $2\frac{3}{4}$ in. from the end. The specs definitely state cellulose nitrate shall not be used.

Silicone Insulation

SILICONE rubber treated glass cloth for motor and cable insulation is now in production at General Electric Co.'s Coshocton, Ohio, plant. The glass cloth is passed through a liquid solution of silicone rubber in a continuous dipping process. After application of heat to cure the rubber, the treated fabric is ready for use. Because of its high heat resistance and excellent flexibility and electrical properties, chief use of the treated fabric is for motor and cable insulation, although other uses in the electrical field are anticipated.

Mold Service for Foundries

SPECIAL sample mold service for foundries interested in the revolutionary resin-sand shell molding process has been announced by Monsanto Chemical Co.'s Plastics Div. The new service provides foundries with an opportunity to obtain a sample mold made from shells of Resinox phenolic resins and sand on patterns sent in to Monsanto.

According to James R. Turnbull, general sales manager of the Plastics Div., the service "will permit foundry operators to see at first hand the significant savings in clean-up, machining time, and labor made possible by the shell molding process. (This process is applicable to the casting of any metal which can be cast in sand by currently used methods.) Detailed instructions have been prepared, including match plate dimension data, packing and shipping data, and blueprints of investment box equipment."

Plastic Hammers

USE of plastic hammers with replaceable tips to replace rawhide hammers resulted in a cost reduction of \$2109 for Westinghouse, according to New Plastic Corp., 1041 N. Orange Dr., Los Angeles 38, Calif., developer of the hammers.

New plastic asserts that its Nupla-flex and Nuplan (nylon) tips used

in Nupla hammers made from plastics are safety tools—they are spark proof, will not chip or mushroom, and will return slowly but completely to their original shape even under extreme pressure. Furthermore, they have no rebound such as is common in rubber tips.

The hammer tips are interchangeable and have a patented tip locking device that eliminates any danger of tips working loose.

In comparative tests at a Chrysler plant, a Nupla hammer lasted 500 working hours, while its nearest rival, brass, lasted only 8 hours.

Elastic Upholstery

BURNISHED antique is a new finish and texture in the Elastic Naugahyde vinyl-coated upholstery material produced by U.S. Rubber Co. It is being made in 10 colors, all of which are produced in 52-in. minimum width which stretches to 58 inches. The upholstery material, which is being used on home, hotel, restaurant, and office furniture, combines an elastic plastic and a special elastic fabric which facilitates tailoring around severe curves and contours. It is made with a non-migrating plasticizer that keeps it from drying out or cracking.

Consulting Chemists' Election

AT THE annual meeting of the Association of Consulting Chemists and Chemical Engineers, Inc., the following officers were elected for the coming year: Erwin Di Cyan, president; Earl D. Stewart, vice president; William C. Bowden, Jr., secretary; and Foster Dee Snell, treasurer. Elected as councillors for three years were Robert S. Aries, Elliot A. Haller, Hugo Klein, Clarence E. Mange, Robert V. Siefel.

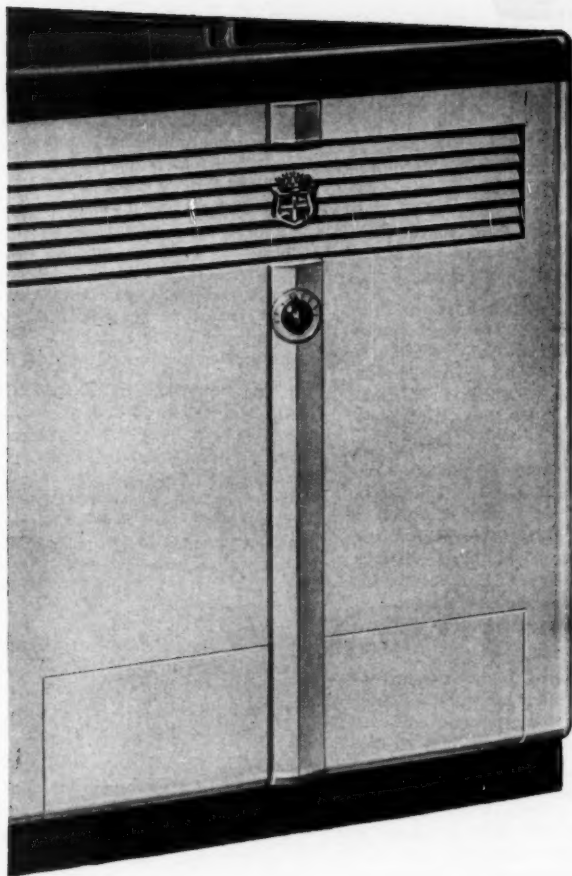
New Yarn Plant

NEWEST yarn plant of Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. has just been completed at Anderson, S.C., and is already in capacity production. Expansion of manufacturing facilities was necessitated by the demand for Fiberglas yarns.

COMPANY NOTES

Crystal Tube Corp. has moved to new offices at 6625 W. Diversey Ave., Chicago 35, Ill.

Steiner Plastics Mfg. Co., Pratt Oval, Glen Cove, L.I., is operating



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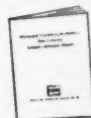
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at full speed despite a fire which occurred late in September. The fire was confined to the shipping room and finished stock departments, and did not touch the fabrication lines or raw material stock rooms. All production commitments will be met.

General Electric Co. announces two appointments in the Chemical Div.: **Charles H. Kline** has been named manager of sales for phenolic products of the Chemical Materials Dept., and **J. Rae Stirrat** has been appointed manager of product line planning for the Marketing Dept.

George Woloch Co. has moved to larger quarters at 82 Beaver St., Room 605, New York 5, N. Y.

Extruders, Inc., manufacturer of plastic films, tubing, and garden hose, has moved to a new and larger factory at 3232 West El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif.

Commercial Plastics & Supply Corp., 55 Prince St., New York, N. Y., distributor of acrylic and acetate rods, sheets, and tubes, has opened a branch office at 627 Cross St., Malden, Mass.

naRBee Plastic Co. announces a change of address of its plant and office to 4505 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

Precision Metalsmiths, Inc., has moved to 1081 E. 200th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Wheelco Instruments Co. has moved its Western Div. sales office to larger quarters at 2320 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Ill. The new office is under the supervision of **R. A. Schoenfeld**.

Durable Formed Products, Inc., 6 Greene St., New York 13, N. Y., has added two pneumatic presses and one thermostatically controlled heating oven to its Forming Dept.

Columbia-Southern Chemical Corp., a subsidiary of **Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.**, announces that **H. W. Gleichert** has become assistant to the vice president in the new sales organization; that **A. W. Reynolds** was made administrative as-

sistant to the vice president in charge of sales; and that **E. W. Haley** has been transferred to Pittsburgh as director of sales.

Worthington Pump & Machinery Corp. announces the appointment of **J. B. Laramy** as manager of the Marketing Research Dept. and of **H. V. Rasmussen** as executive engineer of the Wellsville, N. Y., plant.

National Research Corp. announces that the company plans to build additional plant facilities in Newton, Mass. Also announced is the appointment of **James L. Vaughan** as director of the Process Engineering Dept.

Chicago Molded Products Corp. has increased its plant facilities by the addition of Section 5, a modern monitor-type plant devoted principally to special finishing operations on essential goods. This section was formerly the plant of **Hafner Mfg. Co.**, producer of wind-up type toy trains.

Plaskon Div., Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., announces the following changes in the glues and industrial resins sales organization: **H. A. Raymond, Jr.**, has been made sales manager for industrial resins and will supervise national sales; **Ralph W. Burdeshaw** has been appointed to the new post of southern sales manager for industrial resins; **Robert W. Weant** succeeds Mr. Burdeshaw as sales representative in South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama. **Charles E. Walker** has been named to head a new New England office at 10 High St., Boston, Mass.

The company also announces the promotion of **Donald Delaney** to sales manager for coating resins and **Victor W. Ginsler** to assistant sales manager. **W. W. Wommack** has joined the molding compound sales force of the same division.

Yardley Plastics Co., 142 Parsons Ave., Columbus, Ohio, has appointed **Charles A. Ebner** as executive vice president. **Walter E. Jacobson** succeeds him as general manager.

American Polymer Corp., Peabody, Mass., has reduced prices on

styrene-butadiene latices. Polybutadiene latex Polyco 418, at approximately 30¢ a dry lb., is used in extending natural latex for the adhesive, foam rubber, dipped goods, and similar industries. All prices and products are described in data sheet P 24.

Plasti-Line Co., Knoxville, Tenn., is the subject of a recent feature article in the *Knoxville News-Sentinel*. Plasti-Line is doing a \$500,000 yearly business and the chief products up to now have been acrylic signs for six major oil companies and the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Other products are some 40 different fabricated items for 700 hosiery mills. The company has recently tooled up to manufacture aircraft canopies.

Gering Products, Inc., Kenilworth, N. J., has announced that **Automotive Materials Corp.**, Fisher Bldg., Detroit, Mich., is now representing the Gering plastics firm in the automotive field. The latter company is a producer, converter, and merchandiser of automobile, aircraft, and transportation materials.

PERSONAL

Gage Olcott has been transferred from New York to the Plastics Dept. of **The Dow Chemical Co.** at Midland, Mich., where he is working on Styron merchandising.

Alfred L. Therrien has been appointed field sales representative in upper New York for **Monsanto Chemical Co.'s Plastics Div.**, Springfield, Mass.

Francis H. Snyder, president of **Snyder Chemical Corp.**, Bethel, Conn., has resigned as active head of the firm in order to devote full time to his consulting practice in chemical research.

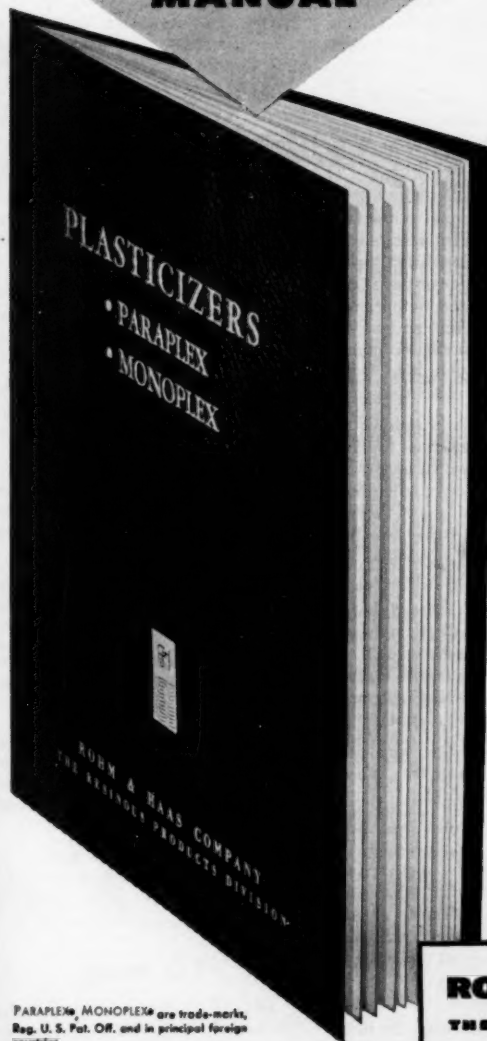
W. Burl Saul, formerly with **Power Press & Equipment Co.**, has been named vice president in charge of production and engineering for **L & J Press Corp.**, Elkhart, Ind.

Robert D. Orde, formerly with **Rona Plastic Corp.**, has been appointed general sales manager of **Sterling Plastics Co.**, Union, N. J. He will supervise sales of precision plastic molded parts as well as consumer products in the stationery and housewares field.

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transferred to New York as sales representative of the **Color Div., Ferro Corp.** **Henry W. Fishkin** succeeds him as Chicago representative.

Osgood V. Tracy, on leave as general manager of the Chemical Products Dept. of **Esso Standard Oil Co.**, has been appointed Deputy Director of **NPA's Chemical Div.**

Jack H. Dollinger has been appointed sales manager for **Glyco Products Co., Inc.**, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Alan Insley has joined the New York office of **Mineral Pigments Corp.**, Muirkirk, Md., manufacturer of synthetic pigments.

Paul E. Wilson, 2636 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., has been appointed exclusive representative for **Hydro-Line** air and hydraulic cylinders in the Chicago and northern Illinois territory for **Hydro-Line Mfg. Co.**

Miss Violet Szantay was appointed vice president and assistant to the president of **Santay Corp.**, Chicago, Ill., plastic molder and automotive accessories manufacturer.

Russel Wright has been elected president of the **Society of Industrial Designers** for the year 1951-52. He succeeds **Dave Chapman**.

James P. Duffy, director of flexible packaging sales for **Union Bag & Paper Corp.**, has been elected president of the newly formed **National Flexible Packaging Association**.

Harris C. Miller has been assigned by **Hooker Electrochemical Co.** to the sales territory of upper New York and western Pennsylvania.

Kenneth J. Plants has been appointed general sales manager of the **Plastic Film Div., Goodyear Rubber Sundries, Inc.**, New Haven, Conn. The firm is expanding its activities in the plastics film field. Mr. Plants' headquarters are at 500 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

E. V. Steele has purchased the interests of **Eric Schaal** and **Chas. Arrowsmith** in **Urrite Plastics Fabricators**, and has taken **Ted H. Fengler** into partnership. The company spe-

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Laurence E. Rossiter has been named **New England District Sales Manager** for **Nopco Chemical Co.**

James H. Wolcott has been appointed sales manager of the **Machinery Div., Reed-Prentice Corp.** He will supervise sales activities covering machine tools, plastic injection molding machines, and die casting machines. He was formerly branch manager in Los Angeles and Chicago.

David A. Sharpe has been named Eastern territory sales engineer for **The Fiberite Corp.**, Winona, Minn. His headquarters are at Andover St., RFD #1, Lowell, Mass.

Johan A. Muller has joined the **Lewis Welding & Engineering Corp.**, Bedford, Ohio, as head of a newly formed development department. Mr. Muller, a native of the Netherlands, has specialized in the design and development of hydraulic equipment, particularly in its application to the plastics and rubber industries.

James L. Bixby was appointed director of public relations for **The Chemstrand Corp.**, which is now organizing to produce synthetic fibers, including nylon and a new acrylic fiber, "Acrilan." Mr. Bixby was formerly with the public relations department of **St. Regis Paper Co.**

John H. Banks, formerly with **Ford Moulded Fiber Corp.**, has been named production and research engineer for **International Molded Plastics, Inc.'s** new product, **Structoglas**, a polyester sheet material.

W. S. Saville has been appointed manager of the **Aircraft Div., Narmco, Inc.**, San Diego, Calif.

William C. P. Zabel has been named executive vice president of **Associated Plastic Companies, Inc.**, Suite 1195, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Ill. He was president of **Admiration Plastic Co.** which will soon become a subsidiary of **Associated**.

Deceased

Dr. James Paul Chittum, 39, technical sales representative for **Kra-**

lastic and **Vibrin** resins, **Naugatuck Chemical Div., U. S. Rubber Co.**, died recently after a long illness. Dr. Chittum joined the company in 1937 as a research chemist and did much of the fundamental research work which led to the firm's entry into the plastics field. He was a well known authority both on polyester resins and on styrene resin-nitrile rubber blends.

MEETINGS

Nov. 26-Dec. 1—Chemical Industries, 23rd Exposition, Grand Central Palace, New York, N. Y.

Dec. 2-5—American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Annual Meeting, Chalfonte-Haddon Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.

Dec. 13-14—Society of the Plastics Industry, Third Film, Sheet & Coated Fabrics Div. Conference, Hotel Commodore, New York, N. Y.

Jan. 14-17—Plant Maintenance Show, Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.

Feb. 21-22—Society of the Plastics Industry, (Canada) Ltd., 10th Annual Conference, Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

Mar. 3-7—American Society for Testing Materials, Spring Meeting and Committee Week, Hotel Statler, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mar. 11-14—Society of the Plastics Industry, Fifth National Plastics Exposition, Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mar. 16-19—American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga.

Mar. 22-April 6—Chicago International Trade Fair, Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

April 9-11—Society of the Plastics Industry, Seventh Annual Technical Session, Reinforced Plastics Div., Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

June 23-27—American Society for Testing Materials, 50th Anniversary and Annual Meeting, Hotels Statler and New Yorker, New York, N. Y.

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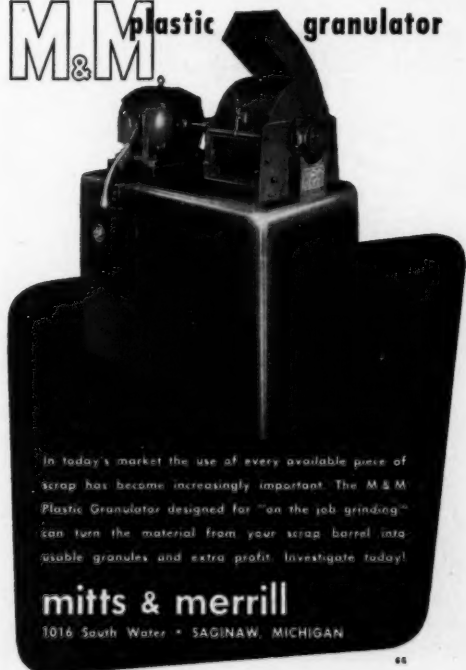
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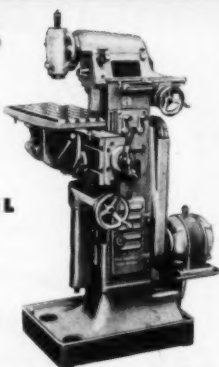
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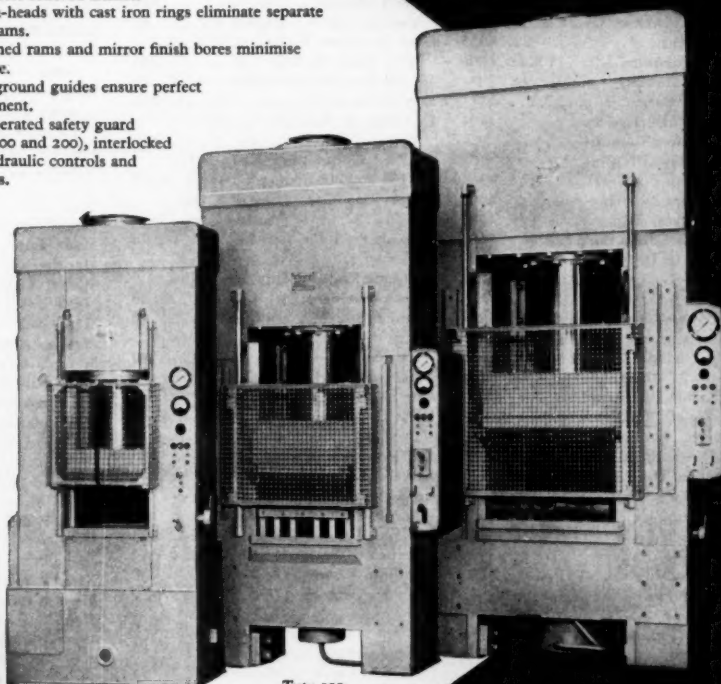
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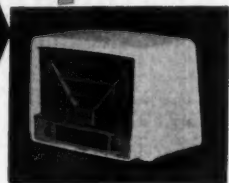
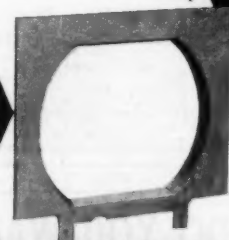
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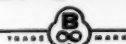
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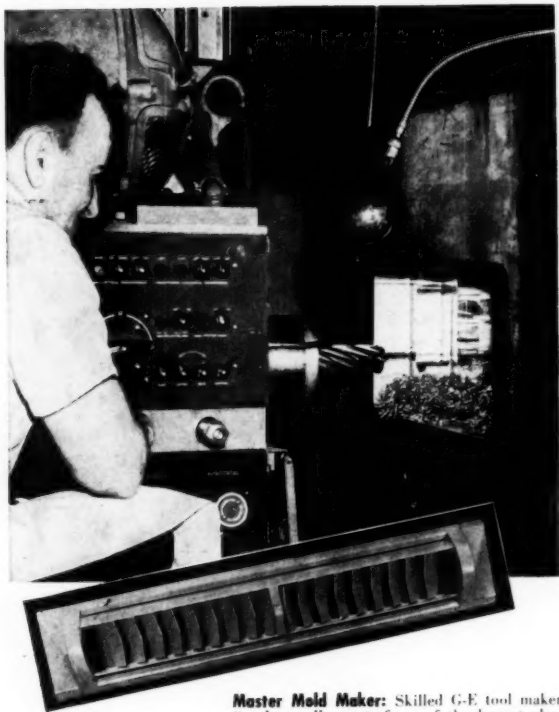
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